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By Barrie Clement and Paul Routledge

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### Shell drops British Steel order

An £18m gas pipeline order, for which British Steel had reopened its Hartlepool mill, has been cancelled after Shell Oil found the pipe unacceptable. A Japanese consortium will take over the North Sea contract

#### EEC not broke after all

The European Commission avoided a confrontation with Britain over the £100m contribution Whitehall refused to pay. The Commission said it did not after all need the money urgently, as it was not broke

#### Victim's award

An £8,000 award has been made 10 Mrs Clementine George who was beaten by police officers who forced their way into her home in Sydenham, south Page 4

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Package holidays could become scarce because the trend for late bookings has led to tour operators cutting back on their brochure offers, according to the travel firm Pickfords Page 3

#### A-bomb call



Mr Bob Hawke, Australia's Labour Prime Minister faces left-wing opposition following the leak of a document saying Australia should make nuclear weapons if neighbouring countries obtain them

### Lyingpolygraph

Known criminals emerged as honest when they took part in a study to assess the accuracy of

#### Investors' fight

British investors who have lost money on commodity futures in the US are seeking redress through the American courts Family Money, page 24

#### Lords defied

The National Union of Journalists is to defy a House of Lords ruling by again making official a strike at Dimbleby Newspapers

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# Jenkin may reduce council grants to community groups

By Hugh Clayton, Local Government Correspondent

The Government is considering a new legal curb on council spending which would restrict hundreds of controversial grants to women's, civil rights and other voluntary groups.

Mr Patrick Jenkin, Secretary

of State for the Environment, said at a press conference in London yesterday that the Government faced a mounting volume of indignant protest from ratepayers about such payments.

He spoke after introducing the Local Government (Interim Provisions) Bill which is meant to pave the way towards abolition of the Greater London Council and all six English metropolitan county councils in

two years' time.
The Bill, which provides for councils. was immediately at-tacked as "a dangerous consti-tutional assault". The metro-claims that the GLC's subscrippolitan councils are in Tyne and Wear, South and West York- Association fo London Auth-shire, West Midlands, Greater orities is unlawful because the Manchester and Merseyside.

considering or intending to use four methods of curbing spending through and by high-spending Labour councils in urban areas. They are:

Mr Kenneth Livingstone. Icader of the GLC, said yesterday that it was "99 per cent certain" that his authority would appeal against last week. Mr Jenkin's announcement areas. They are:

Rate capping, the first phase of which will start in a year when the Government fixes legal ceilings for up to 20 of the highest-spending councils in decision as a base from which to England. They will include the GLC, several London boroughs That gives councillors a

The United States Govern-

ment is expected to be accused

next week by an all-party committee of MPs of seriously

misleading Britain over its

intentions before Grenada was

That is likely to be one of the

the House of Commons Foreign Affairs Committee, to be

published on Thursday, after an investigation of the Grenada

crisis. The investigation in-cluded visits by MPs to the

island and to neighbouring

The committee, chaired by

Sir Anthony Kershaw, Con-servative MP for Stroud, will

set out a detailed timetable of

events before and during the

crucial weekend leading up to

the invasion early on Tuesday,

October 22 from the Americans

that they had been asked to

contribute to a force being assembled by the Caribbean

government. However, as Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Foreign Secretary, told the Commons in

an emergency debate after the invasion, the US Government

told Britain it concluded that it should proceed "very cau-

The United States Army is

very pleased with the 7,000 officers and other ranks who

invaded the British Common-wealth's spice island of Grenada. It has therefore

About 50 decorations have

gone to personnel who got no closer to the fighting than the Pentagon. Staff and support

troops who never actually left

American soil have also been

It has awarded 275 decor-

ations for valour, for combat

deaths, or for wounds. It gave 8,337 medals for individual performance, including 4,581 commendation medals, 2,495

Airborne Division walked away

with 6,708 individual medals.

achievement medals,

awarded 8,612 medals.

Grenada.

honoured.

The Government learnt on

Barbados and Trinidad.

October 25.

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invaded last October.

US will be accused

on Grenada invasion

By Philip Webster, Political Reporter

Campaign that won 8,612

medals for 7,000 troops

From Christopher Thomas, Washington

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Bronze Stars and a variety of and other ships that stood off other decorations. The 82nd Grenada. The Navy has made it

and Basildon, Essex. Mr Jenkin power to raise revenue for said yesterday that the list for the first phase would be drawn up "in the next four months or

Urban programme payments.
A team of officials from Mr
Jenkin's department and the
Treasury is examining government payments worth £348m a year in grants to inner city

Abolition of the GLC and metropolitan county councils.
"The savings to be achieved from abolition ought to be substantial". Mr Jenkin said vesterday;

A new restriction on the power of councils to make grants to voluntary groups. Mr Jenkin explained that his next move on that would depend on cancellation of next year's the final outcome of a court elections to the threatened case brought by the Conservation to the recently-formed association is politically-motiv-

> judgment that the subscription is unlawful. Mr Jenkin indi-cated that if final judgment went against the subscription the Government would use the

> > Britain was in touch with the

US Government throughout October 23. On the next day, a

few hours before the invasion,

the Foreign Secretary told the

Commons: "I have no reason to

think that American military intervention is likely". He said

that the United States Govern

ment had explained to Britain

that the movement and pres-

ence of its naval vessels in the

area was for the purpose of

rescuing the sizable American

The conclusion of the select

committee is understood to be that the US State Department

was being less than frank. It has based that finding on,

among other things, the evi-

dence given to the committee by Sir Geoffrey, a statement to the House of Representatives

Armed Services Committee on

January 24 by Mr Langehorne

Motley, Assistant Secretary of

State, and the talks of com-

mittee members with the US

ambassadors in Grenada and

Sir Geoffrey and his col-leagues are likely to be criticized for too readily accept-

ing the line coming from Washington and not doing enough to discover what was

The Army said its award system is a valuable and

effective leadership tool to build

unit morale and esprit". The

Navy, Marines and Air Force,

which had a much smaller role,

have been far less lavish:

between them thay have awarded barely a handful of

But all the services are

expected to distribute armed

forces expeditionary medals to

the men, and a few women, who

were on or near the island

during the campaign. That could benefit 19,600 people, including the 10,000-odd offic-

ers and sailors who were on

board the carrier Independence

clear that no individual awards

will be given to staff officers.

individual medals.

community in Grenada

general spending up to a value of 2p multiplied by the total ratable values of all properties in their areas. "We will want to look at the judgment very carefully because it could have relevance to quite a lot of other payments", Mr Jenkin said. But his critics concentrated

on the Bill, even though he offered them one definite and one possible concession. The most controversial clause in the Bill gives ministers the power to order the cancellation of elections due in the threatened councils in just over a year. The Bill does not include the key power to order abolition of the

councils themselves in 1986. Mr Jenkin said that he would not cancel the elections until a subsequent Bill authorizing abolition of the councils had become law. He also said that ministers might allow elections to the Inner London Education

Authority to continue after abolition of the GLC.

Mrs Frances Morrell, leader of the ILEA, said: "I would have thought that what we are wally seeing is a kind of general. really seeing is a kind of genteel fascism in this country, wrapped up in a nice parcel of British humbug and British

hypocrisy".

Mr Alan Greengross, leader of the minority Conservative group of GLC councillors. repeated the group's call for a small elected successor to the GLC instead of the nominated committees sought be ministers.
Advice to Liverpool, page 2

### Unions set for Nissan no-strike agreement

By Our Labour Reporter The two big car industry unions are prepared to make unprecedented concessions to ensure that the Nissan Motor OMBANY OF Japai from its modest pilot plant at Washington New Town, Tync and Wear.
On offer is what amounts to a

no-strike agreement on behalf of both the Transport and General Workers' Union and the Amalpamated Union of Engineering Vorkers.

The proposals, already put forward by local union officials, may have influenced the company to build its plant employng up to 500 people and producing 24,000 cars in the North-east. A short list of three sites also included Immingham, Humberside and Shotton, North Wales,

Mr Joseph Mills, the northeast regional secretary of the ransport workers' union, also told the company that his union was prepared to negotiate a single-union agreement.

The no-strike offer, which basically involves binding arbitration in disputes, will injuriate left-wing unionists and labour eaders in the areas which Nissan rejected. All these concessions are unheard of in the rest of the

studied with some interest by the bigger companies Mr Grenville Hawley, national secretary of the transport workers union, yesterday refused to rule out a no-strike agreement. He said: "We will be

motor industry and will be

fiscussing the whole matter Nissan counters fears, page 2



### yesterday safely completed her most dangerous royal tour, the political repercussions of which can be expected to reverberate throughout the Middle East for months to come. The severe problems which the timing of the visit and the Queen's stated sympathy with the plight of the Palestinians will cause with Israel come immediately to the fore next week when her first official encountered is a meeting with months to come. engagement is a meeting with President Chaim Heroz of Israel, who will present a counter-invitation for a tour of IsraeL

Relief at

end of

Jordan

visit

to the intense relief of local

British diplomats, led by the newly-knighted Ambassador, Sir Alan Urwick, the Queen

During a meeting at 10,
Downing Street yesterday,
President Herzog in ited Mrs
Thatcher to visit Israel, His formal invitation to the Queen is likely to be delivered when he has lunch with her at Windsor Castle on Monday. (Rodney Cowton writes). The secutity threat which has clouded the fire-day tour

and reduced almost to nil the queen's chances of contacts with ordinary Jordanians — more then 60 per cent are Palestinians — was symbolized by the sun glinting off the three omplex anti-missile devices fitted to the engines of the royal TriStar as it soared away from Aqaba's desert airport open jeeps mounted with heavy machines-gons and marksmen silhouetted against the rocky backdrop ringed the instal-

lations.

Before the farewell 21-gun salute (fired from cannons pointedly not facing the near by Israel border), Mr Michael Shea, the Queen's press secretary, expressed concern at the way in which Middle East experts have linked the tour with Wednesday's assassin-ation of a British diplomat in

But he was at a complete loss to offer any alternative theory for the murder, or the threat of further violence against British targets by terrorists believed to



Smiling in the rain: The Queen and Duke of Edinburgh arriving at Heathrow from Jordan yesterday.

be acting for the Syrian-backed Abu Nidal group. It was learnt that, even as the Queen was bravely attempting to invest her final engagements with as great an

decision will cause outrage

throughout sport in this country

and internationally the repre-

cussions could be very serious

aimed largely at the 1986 Commonwealth Games in

Edinburgh, a year in which the Lions are scheduled to tour

South Africa. This year's Olym-

pic Games in Los Angeles seem

less likely to suffer disruption, though in 1976, after New

Zealand made a rugby tour to

South Africa, there was a black

boycott of the Montreal Games. Mr Sam Ramsamy, spokes-

Those repercussions may be

impression of normality as possible under the trying circumstances, security was-being tightened at all British diplomatic missions in the region, and those in other parts

indecd."

of the world - particularly Europe - where Arab terrorists are known to operate, often in cooperation with locally-based left-wing extremists.

man for the South African Non-

Racial Olympic Committee, said lobbying would begin to bar England from the Games in

Edinburgh and criticized the

Commonwealth Games Council

stronger protest. He did not rule

out some form of protest at the final of the RFU's county

championship at Twickenham

ing at the London Hilton Hotel.

voted for the tour by 44-6. The

president, Ron Jacobs, who

abstained, said the union could

not take responsibility for other

The RFU committee, meet-

overall success of the tour will have to involve a weighing of its triumph in personal terms for the Queen and in cementing Continued on back page, col I

·A final judgment on the

involved but are not unexpected. Some observers believe Mr Sirs' executive may take a different attitude next week.
Last night Mr Robert Has-lam, British Steel's chairman, said the repercussions of a

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sporting bodies, to whose

decisions they were not a party.
"When you take decisions in

life you often upset someone," Mr Jacobs said.

eral, said the decision would be

deplored throughout the Commonwealth and beyond: "It will not only damage

international sporting relations

and do great harm to rugby

itself but it will also come as a

setback to the wider cause of

multi-racialiam in South

Africa . More reactions, page 29

Ramphal

Sir Shridath

the Transport and General

Workers' Union on Tuesday are

likely to follow suit. Mr Jim Slater, of the National Union of

Seamen, has said his union is

already implementing the pol-

Mr Sirs' comments are a blow to the solidarity of the unions

#### Disruption fear after rugby tour decision By David Hands, Rugby Correspondent

The Rugby Football Union. the ruling body of the game in England, agreed yesterday to send a team to South Africa in May, It will be the second tour by England to the republic. though the British Lions have toured twice since the last South African tour to this country (in 1969-70) and Ireland toured

there in 1981. The decision provoked protests from anti-apartheid groups. Mr Robert Hughes, Labour MP for Aberdeen North and chairman of the Anti-Apartheid. Movement, said:

This depressingly predictable

## £6m grants shift by **Arts Council**

By David Hewson

The Arts Council is to switch £6m of grants from London to 12 key areas of Britain in an attempt to restore the balance of arts backing between the capital and the regions.

The decision, autounced

vesterday after what the council described as an unpredented consulation process, was criticized by those groups which will lose their grants and the Opposition arts spokesman, Mr Norman Buchan.

It will mean the disappearance of one of the capital's four main orchestras, the end of grants to 15 theathe companies and a reduction in the council's investment in literature.

But it will result in £2.2m more for regional arts associations, a new orchestra for eastern England and an extra £2m for new developments in regional drama. Report in detail, page 2 | in the Middle East

#### **Spares** for Iran anger Shultz

From Nicholas Ashford Washington

. Mr George Shultz, the US Secretary of State, has sharply criticized Britain for providing military spare parts to Iran. In an interview with The Times Mr Shultz described the provision of military spares by Britain to the Khomeini regime

as "unhelpful". Britain's decision to provide spares for military equipment sold to fran befoe the overthrow of the Shah has been the subject of secret high-level contacts ton for several months. Britair

maintains it is only supplying non-lethal spares to Iran. Mr Shultz's criticism of Britain's action - the first public comment he has made on the subject - reflects growing American concern at the deteriorating situation in the Gulf. In the interview Mr Shultz also discussed American policy

Bernard Levin, page 8 A full account will appear in Leading article, page 9 The Times on Monday.

for England for not making a Commonwealth secretary-gen-

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#### Part of Sutherland art collection may be sold By Geraldine Norman, Sale Room Correspondent

system for keeping the paint-

Britain's art world is deeply Fund of its resources, leaving it concerned that the delicate balance of the system protecting the country's heritage could be destroyed by plans to sell off part of a great private collec-

The Duke of Sutherland is understood to be planning to sell some of the paintings on loan to the National Gallery of Scotland in Edinburgh.

The value of the paintings on loan is estimated at £60m but there is no evidence of what portion is for sale.

Three fears have emerged in That sale could strip the National Heritage Memorial

unable to bid for other important works. The fund has had to announce that it cannot find money to save a valuable painting attributed to Duccio for the cation.

The duke's action could be the start of the break-up of his historic collection, one of the most important in private hands in the United Kindom, The prices which might be paid by oversees collections, such as the Getty Museum of California, could tempt some of the paintings out of the country and start a stampede of sales by other British owners. That would rip apart the fragile

ings in this country. A surge in exports signaled by the report of the Reviewing Committee in the Export of Works of Art, published today.

The Duke has declined to comment on the sale.

The 30 paintings which have seen loaned to the National Gallery of Scotland since 1946 comprise most of the highlights of the gallery's display, includ-ing three paintings by Raphael, a Rembrandt self-portrait, five paintings by Trian and the famous series of seven Sacraments by Poussin. These are valued at £60m.

The sale of Sutherland paintings is thought to be one of the key reasons behind the National Heritage Memorial Fund's decision last week not to finance the purchase of the fourteenth-century Crucifixion the Mamchester City Art Galleries.

Manchester is trying to save the painting from export to the Getty Museum with a price tag Mr Brian Lang, secretary of the fund, said that the decision

had been taken after a recent and highly important commitment by the fund towards the purchase of paintings. He said that he hoped it would be

possible to disclose details of that commitment soon. Sir Peter Wakefield, secretary of the National Art Collections Fund, also referred to the overriding importance of the heritage fund's commit-ment. The national fund voted

inst after Christmas to offer

Manchester £500,000 towards the painting. it had been understood that the two funds had come to a private pact and both intended to support the purchase of the Cricificion. Sir Peter said that the heritage fund's new com-mitment had "blown up" since the national fund took its

decision three months ago.

# Shift of emphasis from London to the regions divides arts world

By David Hewson, Arts Correspondent

The Arts Council announced the most fundamental shift in state funding for English arts in its 39-year-history yesterday, moving £6m out of London and the South-east into 12 strategic

The policy, announced in a document named The Glary of the Garden after a Rudyard Ripling poem, left the arts world divided.

and other companies now under threat when their present grants within the council. run out in 12 months were bitterly critical of what they described as a political move.

But regional arts associations, which stand to receive up to £2.2m extra gave the document a muted welcome, mindful, perhaps, that they should not praise 100 highly a windfall which comes at the expense of other arts groups.

The strategy will close one of the four main London orchestras, so far unnamed, or send it Nottingham or eastern England, withdraw grants from 15 theatre companies and reduce the council's interests in

subsidizing literature.

Opera comes off the lightest of all the arts, although it is the moment. One company, Opera 80, will lose its grant.

According to Arts Council figures, the body gave an average £19 subsidy on every opera ticket sold last year, chompared with £2.80 for drama companies and £7.50 for

But the Royal Court Theatre, one of the best-known names under threat of losing its grant. won a kind of reprieve, against the wishes of some of the more senior figures in the council.

The Royal Court's future remains unassured: it will receive grants for a further year and will then be asked to find new funds from Kensington and Chelsea Council, which has consistently refused to back it in

ART: With local authorities

the Arts Council will seek to,

help existing public galleries in

strategic areas to develop their facilities from a \$500,000 central fund. "This develop-

ment will help to restore

contemporary art to its rightful

place within the country's art

DANCE: A development fund

of £450,000 will raise dancers'

salaries other than in the Royal

Ballet and the Sadier's Wells

**GRANTS LOST FROM 1985/86** 

Royal Ballet.

Eastern Authorities

from April, 1986) Enalish-Sinfonia

Orchestral Association New Opera Company Handel Opera Company

Harrogate Festival King's Lynn Festival Leeds Musical Festival

Mr Max Stafford-Clark, the anywhere else is welcome to theatre's artistic director, said: "I am delighted we have won this battle, but it is clear that the council wants to erode the level of grant to us over the years. This document is still a serious

threat to the Royal Court." The move to close the Royal Court was defeated at Wednesday's crucial meeting, one of several closures proposed at the London arts organizations session which were eventually dropped because of opposition

Sir William said.

The writer John McGrath,

founder of the 7:84 theatre

strategic areas, with further

funds subject to equal amounts

being raised locally. The

development may centre on one

A further £1.5m will be used

discuss with one of the London

orchestras the idea of transfer-

ring its base to eastern England

possibly Nottingham, or estab-lishing a new orchestra in the

region, at a cost of £500,000. A

Benash Institute of Choreology £60,000

(Subsidy to National Opera Studio and Association of British Theatre Tech-nicians cut by 50 per cent and chanelled

or more companies.

Opera 80

City University National Centre for

£72,000

108,000

87,000

75,000

nearer to the London level.



Mr Luke Rittner (left), council secretary-general, and Sir William Rees-Mogg, chairman. main orchestras were too many

Developments in the new strategy

Luke Rittner, the counfor the capital, although it had cil's secretary-general, said the yet to be decided wwhich one of document had demanded some the four, the lorder of difficult decisions phony, the Royal Philharmonic.

difficult decisions. The council would obvi-ously hope that the withdrawals the Philharmonia, would be that are taking place will not do offered the choice of going out lasting damage to the arts and of business or moving to the arts provision in London as a provinces. whole, but I can entirely see that there will be people living in in London who see it as a concerted campaign against

"It isn't, but if you are trying to shift emphasis then the first step will be an unfortunate one", Mr Rittner said.

Sir William Rees-Mogg, the The company is about to go council chairman denied that on a tour of Canada paid for by London would be markedly the British Council. The cut was view of a prosperous worse off through the cuts. "a petty, vindictive, act of "Any Londoner who thinks that political spite", Mr McGrath

Bernard Levil

Leviling article

Janet Smith and Mantis

Dance, will receive new support

for provincialtours. There will

be new money for black and

Asian dance, including in-

creased funds for the black

dance company Phoenix in

The council will look to the Royal Ballet to establish

regular annual links with three

regional centres and to Sadler's

Wells Royal Ballet to develop

its links with Birmingham.
DRAMA: A total of £2m is:

allocated for new developments,

idea that the cuts had a political He said that the new policy motive and pointed out that was primarily aimed at bringing some of those areas affected, the opportunity for experienc- such as Guildford and Bromley, ing the arts outside London were hardly working class.

But Sir William rejected any

Mr Val May, director of the "The Arts Council does not Yvonne Arnaud Theatre in want to damage London, which Guildford, which loses all its is one of the greatest world £108,000 grant, said that the cities of the arts - but it does company would look to other want to narrow the gap between sources to maintain its future. London and the rest of Britain",

"It is a small grant, never more than 18 per cent of our It had become clear that four annual turnover, which has been used to such good effect that it has been a major generator of work for national touring and frequently the

London stage."
Mr Norman Buchan. Opposition spokesman on the arts. said that some of the cuts were directly political and he criticized the council for not breaking away from "the domi-nation of the London-based centres of excellence".

The strategy will focus on 12 areas centred on Birmingham, Bristol, Ipswich/Norwich, Leeds, Leicester, Liverpool, Manchester, Newcastle upon Tyne, Nottingham, Plymouth, Sheffield and Southampton, which account for more than 80 per cent of the population of

One of the most vociferous critics of the plan is Dr Jonathan Miller, who chaired a meeting of many of those affected by the cuts. He said that it was not an equitable redistribution of funds.

"Many of these cuts are company, which loses its grant, directed by political considerasaid that the company might tions with a view to extinguishhave been singled out for attack ing voices which, in the view of because the Labour leader, Mr the Arts Council, are inimical to Neil Kinnock, is a member of the political views of this

> The decisions reflected the view of a prosperous middle

further £200,000 will go to

putting the five regional orches-

footing.

to pay for new writing, children £310,000 next year, and young people's theatre, and RECIONAL ARTS ASSOCI-

black and Asian drama, ATIONS: The 122 associ-\$500,000 of it in the first phase, ations will receive at least

NIUSIC: The council will £1.2m next year as part of a

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of betraying Ulster

£153,500

tras on a firmer financial

EDUCATION: The present

budget will be doubled to

development programme total-ling £2.2m. The way the money

will be spent will be subject to

consultation between the re-

gions and the council over the

ARTS CENTRES

LITERATURE

National Book League grant cut by 25

next 12 months.

Word and Action

English Centre of

Crash start: The ship that will head for the Antarctic backing off after ramming the Thames wall near Tower Bridge. It berthed yesterday ready to begin the two-year "In the Footsteps of Scott" expedition in August (Photograph: Tony Weaver).

# Liverpool is told by Jenkin to borrow

By Hugh Clayton and David Walker

postpone bankruptcy by bor-rowing, Mr Patrick Jenkin, Secretary of State for the Environment said yesterday. He said that Thursday's "defeat" of a potentially illegal rate would increase confidence among

But Mr Jenkin told a press-conference in London that prolonged failure to agree a rate for the financial year that begins tomorrow might expose controlling Labour councillors to make a legal rate. It might ultimately have to be pursued by the Attorney-General However, he said: "We are miles

from that position". Court action might also be started by an auditor or council officer.

Although the council could not issue rate demands, it would receive rents and qualify for government rate support grant

Mr Jenkin said that he was not seeking powers to place administration in the hands of government-appointed com-

missioners. The next step lay with councillors. The controlling Labour group had temporarily lost control of the council on Thursday to a coalition of Conservatives, Liberals and group's budget plans.

"It rests with those who wrested that control to move forward," Mr Jenkin said. Me Neil Kinnock, Labour Party leader, said again yesterday that he rejected tactics adopted by Labour leaders of Liverpool Council. He blamed the Government for the city's social and financial difficulties, but said that they would be worsened if Labour councillors

At a press conference in Manchester, Mr Kinnock advised the Labour group against repeating Thursday's budget to his intentions.

were replaced with com-

missioners.

Liverpool City Council can attempt it its majority rises after ostpone bankruptcy by hor-

The policy adopted by the party conference was to protect jobs, services and the needy, Mr Kinnock said. Labour council-lors could best do that by staying in office.

Liverpool's 30 Liberal and 18 Conservative councillors yesterday demanded an emergency council session in a fortnight to agree a budget. But the choice of the date rests with the council chairman, Mr Hugh Dalton, a Labour councillor who voted consistently on Thursday with adherent and Labour's effective leader.

Mr Hatton's tactics are to delay consideration until after the elections for a third of the city's 99 councillors.

Mr Hatton said: "We are now saying to the people of the city: you are involved in a local ref<del>ere</del>ndum'

Although the legal authority of the city treasurer, Mr Michael Reddington to spend money in the new financial year remains sketchy, it seems that the cash flow will be kept up. Labour plans, apparently legally, to use a finance committee meeting on Tuesday to autho-

rize minimum spending on debt interest, wages and other items. Short-term loans are likely to be available through the Public Works Loan Board, a govern-

ment agency.

Mr John Hamilton, nominal council leader, said: "We have sufficient finance to keep the city solvent until after the elections in May, provided the Government does not withdraw the rates grant".

It is open to the district auditor for Liverpool to apply to the High Court for a writ requiring the council to set a rate. However, Mr Les Stanford, employed by the Audit Commission rather than by the Department of the Environment gave no clues vesterday as

The moves are potentially damaging to the whole mechanism of local authority borrowings as most negotiations should take no account of the names attached to bonds. Normally, they conceptrate on the interest yield on offer and the price. Discrimination against particular local auth-

money markets, pointing out that income from rates amounted to only about a quarter of the council's total income. For 1983/84, rate income was worth an estimated £141m, compared with a rate support grant of £108m. Although there was a general awareness in official circles that money markets were

refusing to touch Liverpool, it was emphasized that the council had enough liquidity to keep operating for some time. Mr Philip Kelly, Liverpool City Council's deputy treasur-er, said yesterday: "We have enough cash to keep going for

Leading article, page

### City move threatens councils

By Christopher Dunn Dealers in the City of London's money markets are

now starting to black borrowings by Liverpool City Council, the troubled local authority which failed to produce a Budget on Thursday, in a move which threatens to disrupt the workings of the entire local authority sector of the markets. A leading money market trader is refusing to deal in Liverpool bonds, and there are no takers for mortgages offered by the Council. Some institutions are refusing to lend to

markets.

ority borrowers could increase substantially the cost of borrowing by certain local authorities. The authorities, bowever, were keen to play down fears in

the time being but we can't put any timescale on it. There are too many imponderables to make any meaningful fore-

# Nissan counters EEC fears

By Colin Hughes and Clifford Webb

years ago. success in becoming a United The second phase aims at Kingdom manufacturing com- absorbing the whole site, and

pany, with the promise of another 140 acres for compo-£112m of government money if nent makers, and production of it reaches the 100,000 car 100,000 carsa year with 60 per Nissan was delighted about ahead, more than 2,000 jobs taking the first-phase develop- will be generated in an area ment on an 800-acre airfield site where the unemployment rate is Privately Nissan admit its

of the British car market agreed within five years of start-up,

earmarking the 1.6 litre replacement for the Stanza, a midrange saloon, as the focus

Mr James Bell, former industrial relations officer at Imperial Chemical Industries, has been appointed to negotiate towards a one-union plant with local trade union leaders. The North of England Devel

opment Council said Nissan proposed a "demanding prospectus". but could spin off 5,000 jobs by the next decade. Last year Nissan sold 104.684 cars in Britain, only Ford and General Motors import more.

## Labour is accused of 'big lie' over police

The Home Secretary said resterday that the Labour Party was making a carefully planned attempt to shake public confidence in the role of law and the police.

in a fierce denunciation of Labour's attitude to the miners' dispute, Mr Leon Brittan accused it of perpetrating "the big lie" that it was the police, and not the pickets, who were challenging principles of freedom and democracy, and that it was from the policeman, who upheld the law, rather than from the criminal, who broke it, that the threat to the public

Mr Brittan, speaking in Gwent, said that the big lie always attracted unscrupulous politicians - repeat what was manifestly untrue and often enough, their thinking went, and the public would believe

Mr Brittan's remarks indicated that the Government which is maintaining its refusal to intervene in the dispute despite the decision of other big unions o to support the miners, has now decided to make Labour's criticism of the police a political issue. The party's national executive on Wednesday blamed the police for contributing to violence.

Mr Britten said that to read the comments of Labour spokesmen one would think Britain was on the way to becoming a police state. Those who made such foolish allegations should stop and think: they should remember that it was all 100 easy to devalue the political currency by grave accusations against those in whose impartial enforcement of the rule of law the public trusted.

Labour's "shabby tactics" were far from new. Mr Brittan said. For months Labour politicians had been attacking Government measures in the Police and Criminal Evidence Bill to give the police the powers they needed to protect the citizen. Thousands of pounds of ratepayers' money had been poured by left wing councils into propaganda against the Bill. "No innuendo has been too malicious; no allegation about the Government's intentions too wild,"

Mr Brittan said the public would not be fooled; they expected the law of the land to be uplield.

Unlike many Labour MPs who want him to take a higher profile in the dispute. Mr Neil Kinnock remains anxious to avoid raising the political temperature. He does not intend to intervene publicly but he has made clear his belief that the NUM should stop its internal arguments because of the damage that public strife can cause the Labour move-

Mr John Gummer, the Conservative chairman, said yesterday that the dispute was between the coal board and the miners' union and they must find their own way out of it. The only part the state had to play was to ensure that people wanting to go to work should be allowed to do so, he said in Leeds.

#### Surveyors sued over delays at Trocadero site

Richard Ellis, the chartered surveyors and estate agents, is being sued because of increasing costs and delays in the develop-ment of the Trocadero site at Piccadilly Circus (our Property Correspondent writes).

spokesman for Richard A spokesman for Richard Ellis confirmed yesterday that the writ from Electricity Supply Nominees, which is funding the 200.000 square foot retailing and entertainment complex. had been received. ESN is the electricity supply industry's pension fund, and despite the writ. Richard Ellis will continue as joint letting agents and managing agents for the It is likely that resolution of

the dispute will take a matter of years. It revolved around the building costs of the scheme. which were originally estimated at £19m and have increased to about £40m, it is understood.

The project is running about 18 months late, and planning difficulties are among the reasons for the delay.

The Trocadero is nearly finished and is due to be opened in June, containing extensive restaurant, entertainment and shopping facilities.

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#### Anarchists plan repeat of protest to stop City The organizers of Thursday's

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congratulated themselves yesterday on the impact of their protest and planned to repeat it in September.

More than 400 people were arrested, several windows were broken, cars were damaged and hurt as the City was disrupted by an unprecedented alliance of punks, anarchists, anti-nuclear protesters and cyclists, and animal liberation, anti-apartheid and gay rights groups.

The protest alarmed City workers, and kept several

buildings, such as Barclays Bank and the Bank of England. under virtual siege for much of The events divrted police,

press and public attention from a much larger, peaceful march by council workers and trade unionists to protest against the Government's decision to abolish metropolitan councils. As police and insurance and were quite pleased with the

companies counted the cost vesterday, anarchist groups based in south London squats cmerged as the prime movers behind much of the disruption. The 394 arrests reported in London Greenpeace the en-London Greenpeace, the environmental group, was behind last September's "Stop the City" protest but Thursday's abolition of metropolitan authevent was much more widely orities. They were associated with a

Anarchist groups held meet-ings earlier this year in various cities to coordinate their action. In London, their activities seem to have centred on the Anarchist Bookshop in Railton Road, Brixton, which bandles

Road, which produces a newspaper called Crowbar. The organizers tend not to publicize their names but quite an effective grapevine operates in London squats.

publications such as Black Cross, and Free London, and

the Ambulance Station Collec-

tive Squat in the Old Kent

Miss Amanda Speed, aged 23. a theatre director, answered a telephone number advertising legal advice to anyone arrested and told The Times yesterday:
"I think the demonstration was a great success. The last one was directed against the arms trade but this was more general, against exploitation of all sorts by banks. We went into several banks with leaflets and biscuits

#### Correction

London yesterday did not, as implied, result from the protest

#### Worthing Connaught Theatre CAST Presentations M6 Theatre Co Mikron Theatre Co 7:84 Theatre Co (England) Temba Theatre Co HOUSING THE ARTS SCHEME Reduction in subsidies to Kettles Yard Scrapped after the end of existing £1,214,500 **Powell accuses Prior**

Mr Enoch Powell accused the Government last night of betraying the people of Northern Ireland and made a personal attack on Mr James Prior, the Secretary of State (Philip Webster writes).

The Official Unionist MP again claimed that the Government of the Irish Republic and the Northern Ireland Office were conspiring to set up an all-Ireland state, and spoke of on the principle that every man treachery's varying rewards - Sarah Tisdall leaked a government document and was jailed for six months, but it was not so if the treachery was to be committed at the Government's

Mr Powell told the central submission.

The coroner investigating the The jury agreed to delete the death in police custody of Mr rider and return a straightfor-

used unreasonable force. death, unlawful killing and an the neck which caused brain

constituency association, that Mr Prior and the Northern Ireland Office were desperate. They knew the Ulster Unionists would not be persuaded "to play along with the plan for betraying Ulster which is being feverishly hatched between Dr FitzGerald and the Northern Ireland Office". He said: "Those who operate

has his price . . . are handing bribes and promises out". But, he said, bribery was

rarely unaccompanied by bully ing. If Northern Ireland could not be bribed into submission. was to be bullied into

# Davey death 'accidental'

James Davey refused vesterday ward accidental death verdict. to accept the inquest jury's Mr Michael Mansfield, for verdict of accidental death with the Davey family, said: "The the rider that the police had verdict is a contradiction in

Mr Charles Kenderdine. instructed the jury to reconsider hearing and the jury had first and restated the need to split 8 to 2 on decision. distinguish between reasonable and unreasonable force in Mr Davey, after a struggle with choosing between accidental police, died from pressure on

terms'

It was the fifteenth day of the Then came the verdict that

# Nissan, the Japanese car between the two nations eight

makers, yesterday confirmed success in becoming a United production level expected.

at Washington, near Sunder-land, with the aim of employing Privately up to 500 local workers target figures have been held assembling 24,000 cars a year down to steer clear of trouble from 1986 using Japanese parts. with Japanese unions and the

The cars would be included EEC. It would like to boost at first in the 11 per cent quota production to 200,000 cars

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**Package** 

holidays

shortage

warning By Derek Harris Commercial Editor A warning of possible short-

ages of overseas package holi-

days this summer was given yesterday by Pickfords Travel, one of the top two travel

The trend towards late

bookings of holidays has led

tour operators with reduced

bookings to cut back on

brochure offers, reducing op-tions on hotel rooms and aircraft seats. Pickfords say.

Those reductions may be

compensated for by the more

successful operators taking up

some of the spare airline and

hotel capacity later in the

season. Mr Keith Webber, Pickford's

marketing director, said: "There are an estimated three million

people, about 40 per cent of the

booked their summer holdiays

and all the evidence in the trade

is that probably half of them

will want to book late, as near to

That was the pattern last

Overall, the market as a

whole is probably at about the

same as this time last year.

although at best bookings may

be about 5 per cent higher. Pickfords, announced yester-

day a computerized late book-

ings system at 210 branches.

which gives an instant selection

of last-minute holiday options

from more than 200 tour

departure as three weeks."

year, Mr Webber said.

agencies.

# Polygraphic lie detectors are inaccurate and unreliable, scientists say

eventually confessed.

the six interpreters.

in physiological reactions, such

as a change of heart rate and

skin resistance due to sweating,

when responding to two ques-tions: have you ever stolen

anything? and did you steal X

untruthful than truthful, and

the results show that the

misclassification rate of inno-

cent people was as high as 50

pronounced when the in-

icrpreters were subsequently

instructed to base their de-

cisions on the results of the

Farmers are getting an aver-

age of £174 a tonne from

wholesalers, compared with less

than £55 a year ago, when a glut

forced prices below the cost of production. The farm price has

rosen £60 in the past three

months, and ranges above £230 for premium qualities.

Source: Potato Marketing Board

changed every 48 to 72 hours.

The article says that the

treatment of such raw wounds

accounts for a substantial part

afterbirth for wound healing",

"With health service finances

of any health budget.

physiological

**ACCURACY OF POLYGRAPH JUDGMENTS BY SIX INTERPRETERS** 

Potato prices stay below

autumn forecast

Despite the well-publicized the season out. Warm, dry increase in potato prices, shop weather earlier this month

prices have still not reached the enabled farmers to plant extra 20p a pound predicted last acres of new potatoes which

autumn. The red varieties, should be available earlier than Cara. Desiree and King Ed-usual.

Use placenta to heal

wounds, Lancet says

A leading article in The wound is fully healed. In full uncer today suggests a cheap thickness wounds it can be

terial effect, reducing the risk of increasingly stretched to pro-

infection in. for example, vide adequate care, it is time for chronic leg ulcers and burns, surgeons and others to over-and promotes the growth of come an almost primitive healthy new skin tissue the reluctance to make use of the

In wounds which penetrate The Lancer says, particularly

only part way through the skin when "a cheap, convenient,

surface, the afterbirth can be left ubiquitous and truly biological

in place on the wound to dressing is needlessly going to

The error rate was even more

People with criminal records were portrayed as individuals of shining virtu c when they took part in the latest research to assess the accuracy of the polygraph lie detector.

The study was one of the most extensive undertaken and its findings, published in the latest issue of Nature, are reported as the Government Communications Headquarters Cheltenham is due on Monday to begin using the polygraph on civil servants requiring positive vetting

The scientists who carried out the study say: "with the increasing use of polygraphic lie detection in the United Kingdom and the United States it has become a matter of urgency to assess the accuracy and

reliability of the technique". They therefore extended carlier mock theft lie detection studies "from the laboratory to the field" and unterrogated 50 convicted thieves and 50

innocents people. Dr Benjamin Kleinmuntz and Dr Julian Szucko, of the University of Illinois at Chicago, demonstrate that the fallibility of the polygraph rests as much with interpretation of the records by the operator as with the instrument itself. They say that

wards, are generally available at

unlikely to go beyond 20p,

because imported new potatoes

from Cyprus and Egypt are 18p to 25p a pound. About 84,000

tonnes have arrived, half as

many again as had been

imported at the same time in

year, and has shipped 21,000

Home-grown potato reserves

are to per cent lower than they

were at this time last year,

because the 1983 harvest was

cut by a fifth by the wet spring.
The Potato Marketing Board

insists that there should be

Luncet today suggests a cheap

and efficient dressing to heal

wounds and burns (Nicholas

Timmins writes). The placenta,

expected after a birth, should be

widely used in that way, it says.

article says.

The afterbirth has an antibac-

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enough British potatoes to see

Belgium has also trebled its exports to Britain over the past

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ionnes so far.

the devices have unacceptably plus information obtained dur high error rates. ing the interrogation. The The people involved in the mistakes caused two out of experiment were acknowledged three innocent suspects to be criminals and individuals from judged guilty.

groups who had in the past undergone questioning for a the Civil Service unions are theft to which the actual thief challenging the validity of polygraphs. One of the leading The polygraph data of each of the truthful and untruthful British authorities on the subject, Dr Douglas Carroll, of suspects were then given to six Birmingham University, has polygraph interpreters. The advised civil servants that the paper in Nature presents a polygraph machine has only a comparison of the judgments of slightly better chance than evens of being accurate. They were asked to separate the guilty from the innocent individuals by their differences

He told a meeting in Chelten-ham this week: "The device is inaccurate and likely to jeopardize the lives of conscientious and loyal civil servants. Its introduction should be resisted by all the trade union mem-

amount?
The interpreters were more likely to label a suspect He said that a "trained" mole could pass the test without any problem. There is a bias inherent in the machine because of the stressful nature of the tests and the questions that are

Dr Carroll said that unless the trade unions successfully resisted its introduction into GCHQ it would be operated and introduced by institutions throughout Britain

### Scramble to beat tax on building

The Government's Budget proposal to impose 15 per cent value-added tax on building alterations from June 1, is cousing a "mad scramble" for work to be done before the deadline, the Building Employers' Confederation says. (Our property Correspondent writes).

Many builders are fully committed for the next two months and are refusing further work, so that some projects are being cancelled because of the

The confederation has called for the date to be deferred so that contractors and clients can vork to avoid halting projects.

The Federation of Master Builders is also worried by the effects of the proposals. It has asked the Treasury 10 agree that contracts signed before Budget day should not be subject to the tax even though the work may not have been done by June 1. If the Treasury rejects the compromise, the federation will

consider suggesting changes to the Finance Bill. Assistance for those wanting double glazing or mirrorfronted wardrobes before the tax is imposed has come from

the Glass and Galzing Federation. The Federation said that householders who order and pay for work in full before June can have their advance payment fully protected even if the installation is done after

#### £97,600 award for widow

Mrs Maimona Siddia, of Karachi, whose husband Muhammed Bawani, aged 49. died after suffering brain damage during an eye operation at Lambeth Hospital, south London, in November, 1975, was awarded £97,600 damages in the High Court yesterday.

A consultant anaesthetist, Mr John Mathias, and the Lambeth. Southwark and Lewisham Health Authority admitted negligence but had contested the amount of damages.

#### Husband will not be charged

The husband of Janice Weston, the solicitor, whose battered body was found by the Al last September, will not be charged with her killing, the Cambridgeshire police said yesterday in a statement with the Director of Public Pros-

Mr Anthony Reginald Wes-ton, aged 39, of Addison Road, west London, has been on

#### Actor banned from driving Sir Michael Hordern, the

actor was fined £150 yesterday and disqualified for one year after admitting a drink driving

milligrams of alcohol per 100 milligrams of blood, more than twice the legal limit, when he was tested on an intoximeter, Bow St Magistrates' Court was told. He was tested after a minor collision in the Mall.

#### Open verdict on Câroline Hogg

An open verdict was recorded yesterday at Market Bosworth, Leicestershire, on Caroline Hogg, aged five, of Beech Lane. Portobello, Edinburgh, whose body was found 300 miles away from home at a lay-by in Leicestershire last July. The child's body was so badly decomposed it was impossible

to find the cause of death.



Brainy bugs: 1984 is set to become the year of the wood-louse, according to Dr Terry Glanvill of Honiton, Devon, who has devised a 10-lane race track to raise money for charity from racing Armadillidium, whose intelligence he rates highly. Dr Glanvill made his discovery during experiments for his Open University degree.

# Gold diver cleared of secrets charges

Mr Keith Jessop, a deep sea diver, who salvaged Soviet gold valued at millions of pounds from the sunken wartime cruiser, HMS Edinburgh, was cleared on a judge's direction yesterday of three charges under the Official Secrets Act, 1911.

He was accused of receiving classified government infor-mation about two rival diving firms competing to salvage the Edinburgh, which was tor-pedoed off the coast of the Soviet Union in 1942.

Mr Jessop, aged 49, of Keighley, West Yorkshire, still faces a charge of plotting to defraud his two rivals by misleading a government panel set up to award the salvage contract. He denies the charge. He and his Salvage Association contact, Mr John Jackson, are accused of saving "nasty and false things" about the rivals, gian company, Stolt-Neilsen.

of leaking government docu-ments. Judge Tudor Price, the Common Serjeant, also directed he should be found not quilty of

Mr Jackson, aged 56, of Huntingdon, Cambridgeshire, still faces the conspiracy charge with Mr Jessop. After a day-and-a-half of legal

submissions at the Central Criminal Court, the Judge said he had decided there was no. evidence that a contract existed between the Salvage Associ-ation and the Department of

He said: "The fundamental basis of the allegation is that Mr Jackson was employed by the Salvage Association which held a contract on behalf of Her Majesty. In this case it is by no means easy to establish whether the association held a contract Risdon Beazley and a Norwe- with the Department of Trade be unfair if the impression were on the relevant dates.

# Minister to hasten drug safety checks

The Government is to exam-ine ways of spending up the anti-arthritis drug oxyphenbutprocess by which drugs which pose safety risks can be withdrawn from the market.

The announcement comes after a decision by Ciba-Geigy to appeal to the Medicines Commission over a recommendation by the Committee on

zone, marked as Tanderil and Tandacote, should be with-Linder the present rules, drug

companies can object to decisions to withdraw a drug first to the committee and then to

# Scargill challenged on pensions Criticisms by Mr Arthur to be gained that the fund's management committee over managers had been backward in management union, of the way the £3,000m investing directly in industrial assets.

mineworkers' pension scheme had been managed were chal-lenged in the High Court in

London yesterday. Mr Hugh Jenkins, the fund's investment director, said in written evidence that it would

or development projects in

His evidence is being read to the judge, Sir Robert Megarry, in the dispute between the National Coal Board and the National Union of Mineworkers' representatives on the fund

They are in deadlock after the. union side blocked the latest investment strategy proposals, saving it wanted no more direct

The hearing continues on



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# German officers shown on British Isles stamp island and taken to her residence, the Seigneurie, where she and her husband remained firmly seated at a

For the first time, and conceivably the last, two German officers from Hitler's Wehrmacht are depicted on a table at the far end of the British Isles postage stamp. A drawing room thus compelling 13p stamp issued by Guernsey the Germans to walk all the shows two officers in their green-grey uniforms, with riding breeches and peaked caps, meeting the Dame of Sark and her husband on July 3, 1940 to take occupation of the island. It was one of five

met on their arrival by the Seneschal, or judge, of the

length of the room to reach The senior officer was Major Albrecht Lanz, a doctor of law and philosophy from Stuttgart, whom she described as tall, alert, quick speaking, dark-haired, and dark eyed. She judged him fairminded and stamps issued to comme this year's centenary of the birth of the redoubtable Dame incapable of trickery. Sybil Hathaway, who ruled for 47 years over her three-and-a-

The other, apparently brought as an interreter since half mile by one-and-a-balf mile feudal fief. Lanz spoke no English, was a Dr Mans, a naval surgeon and Dame Sybil, who died in specialist in tropical diseases 1974, recorded in her autobiwho had spent eight years in Livernool. "Something made ography that the Germans were

me distrust him", she wrote.

Sir Michael, aged 72, had 83 London.

# Whitehall chiefs support more selective code of practice on secrecy

Senior Whitehall Officials responsible for plugging leaks are relieved that some culprits are being discovered after years of vain inquires by MIS, the police and departmental security officers.

Some are convinced, however, that the ferocity of the Prime Minister's reaction to leaks, and widespread public disapproval of the six-month sentence imposed last week on Miss Sarah Tisdall the former Foreign Office clerk, will drive Whitehall leakers to even greater exertions.

One seasoned veteran said: "It is like flu. If you get an epidemic, a lot of people catch it. The Government have been their own worst enemies".
The guardians of Whitehall

confidentiality recognize there has been a surge of politicallymotivated leaking by officials opposed to government policy since the consensus-breaking Thatcher administration took power in 1979 (see table below). But, they add, the difference between the Callaghan and Thatcher years is not as marked



Sarah Tisdall: Leaked cruise documents.

M15 or the police with the ease and frequency of Mrs Thatcher. There is concern in Whitehall, too, that the public will

confuse cases involving genuine national security, such as that of Mr Michael Bettaney, the MI5 officer who will be tried next month for alleged offences under section 1 of the Official Secrets Act (which deals with espionage) and that of Miss

Miss Tisdall was convicted as it seems. As prime ministers, under section 2 of the Act, the Mr James Callaghan did authocatch-all which covers unautho-Mr James Callaghan did authorize several leak inquires, but he rized disclosures of all kinds. Information can be resisted.

The Franks report of 1972 recommended its replacement by a narrower, more precise

Almost certainly, most of the 41 permanent secretaries be-lieve the Government's position. on open government is untenable, as it produces the worst of all worlds. However, none would favour a full-blooded freedom of information Act involving the courts.

But there is widespread support at the top of the Civil Service for a code of practice that would stipulate where confidentiality must be maindid not invoke the services of tained and outline areas where openness is permissible.

Senior officials believe that under a more liberal information régime, there would be substantially less scope for leaking and greater respect for areas where Whitehall is justified in sustaining secrecy. But the Prime Minister is unmovable.

Security and confidentiality are a paramount interest of Mrs Thatcher. She is confident that pressure from backbench MPs

IMPORTANT LEAKS FROM THE THATCHER GOVERNMENT, 1979-84				
LEAK	DATE	PUBLICATION	INQUIRY	RESULT
Cabinet committee documents on privatization and need to "deprivilege" Civil Service		S Times	M15	Inconclusive
Cabinet committee information on strategic nuclear weapons policy	Dec 1979	Times	MIS	Inconclusive
Ministerial briefing paper on EEC	Sept 1980	Guardian	Thomas Bingham former Revenue official	Inconclusive, but relevant Cabinet committee closed down
Future defence spending	Oct 1980	Press Assoc	Police	Inconclusive, but chief MoD suspect moved to non-sen- sitive post
Pre-Budget leak of certain measures	Mar 1981	S Times	MI5	Inconclusive
Persistent leaks of defence review drafts	Mar-Apr 1981	Telegraph (main- ly)	Internal MoD	Several senior offic- ers warned
Michael Heseltine's "It took a riot" minute to the Prime Minister	Aug 1981	Times	Internal DoE	Inconclusive
Letter from Mr Denis Thatcher to Secretary of State for Wales	Sept 1981	Times	Internal Welsh Office	Inconclusive, al- though anonymous official confessed on television Mar 1984
Treasury long-term spending details	June 1982	Times	Internal Treasury	Inconclusive
Central Policy Review Staff options on long-term spending	Sept 1982	Economist	MI5	Inconclusive, al- though Cabinet minister suspected
CPRS details on nationalized industry policy	Nov 1982	Times	MI5 .	Inconclusive
Family policy study group details	Feb 1983	Guardian	MIS	Inconclusive
CPRS and Downing St Policy Unit documents on employ- ment policy	May 1983	Time Out	MI5 ;	Inconclusive
Cabinet Committee papers on welfare, privatization and union power	June 1983	Time Out	MIS	Inconclusive
Freasury papers on possible spending cuts	June 1983	Mr Peter Shore. Labour economic affairs spokes- man	Not known	Not known
Forecast of emergency £500m pending cuts by the Chancel- or, Nigel Lawson	July 1983 <sub>.</sub>	Times	Internal Treasury	Inconclusive
Michael Heseltine minute on ruise missile deployment	Oct 1983	Guardian	Police	Miss Sarah Tisdall jailed for six months
MoD documents on inef- iciency and overspending on veapons procurement	Nov 1983	Observer	Police	In progress; official allegedly involved resigned
Conversation between Sir John Donaldson, Master of the Rolls.	Dec 1983	Time Out	MI5	Mr Ian Willmore, Employment Dept

### £8,000 for woman beaten up by police

Mrs Clementine George, aged 46, who was beaten by the police when they ransacked her home in a search for her son. was awarded £8,030 damages in the High Court in London

yesterday.
Mr Justice Clark said that £2,000 of the award was to mark the court's disapproval of the "outrageous" manner in which the police had carried out their search and for the way they had "concocted a false story" when they realized Mrs George might bring complaints

Seven police officers led by Detective Sergeant Ronald Fulcher went to Mrs George's flat at Hazel Grove, Sydenham, south-east London, in December, 1980, to arrest her son Roy. aged 21, on suspicion of having been involved in a stabbin

They got her out of bed to answer the door and did not believe her when she said her son was not there. But Sergeant Fulcher was "in no mood to be reasonable", the judge said. "He kicked the door, breaking the chain and with his squad marched in".

The judge accepted her evidence that they had repeatedly struck her as she followed them around her home, pulled out chest drawers, opened cupboards and left her personal property strewn across the floor.

They had held her on a radiator and she received blows to the stomach, chest and arms. While she was on the floor she was kicked and left lying by a radiator in the hallway with a black eye and bruises over her

Both sides agreed that she was left lying by the radiator but the police denied the attack and aid entry to the flat was lawful. They said she became hysterical and lay on the floor wailing and kicking her feet.

But the judge said he had no doubt her version was true. The police have deliberately lied to me. They realized some explanation would be necessary so they concocted a story that had to include reasonable justification for entering the

He dismissed a police claim that Mrs George had led them to believe her son was there. She made it plain to them that he was not they had no evidence that he was and therefore no evidence to justify entry by force, the judge said.

After the hearing Mrs George said: "I have no malice towards the police. They have a hard job to do and I believe it was a one off incident. "I live on my own now and have six locks fitted to my door." Law Report, page 7

#### Two jailed on guns charge

David Davies, a chartered accountant, of Wimbledon, south London, and his business associate, John Silverton, of Earlsfield, south London, were each jailed for two years by the Central Criminal Court yester-day after being convicted of assult and importing guns and ammunition.

Silverton attacked a women in a dummy run for a ransom attempt, the court was told, but both men were cleared of conspiracy to kidnap and rob members of a wealthy family.

# Cheerful farmworkers take 4.5% 'insult'

prepares for the 150th anniver-sary on July 1 of the Tolpuddle martyrs, JOHN YOUNG, Agrimeans less overtime working. culture Correspondent, visits the Dorset village to examine the life and tribulations of the In the summer, paticularly at contemporary form worker. Oliver Trevett, Herbie Pit-

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man and Harold Hodder have an average age of 56. All three began working on farms in Dorset in the later years of the Second World War, when the alternatives were to be called up or to get a job in the local munitions factory.

Mr Jack Boddy, national

and top civil servant

Chancellor's Budget details

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MoD consideration of pressure Mar 1984

Possible privatizing of Polaris Mar 1984

secretary of the agricultural workers' section of the Transport and General Workers' Union, has for years tried unsuccessfully to get the National Farmers' Union to commit itself to bringing wages for men such as Oliver, Herbie and Harold up to the national industrial average. He described last week's award by the Agricultural Workers' Board of slightly more than 4.5 per cent as an insult.

But what are the feelings of Messrs Trevett, Pitman and Hodder? They are cheerful, trace of rancour. They like and respect their employers and feel that, if anyone has made too much money out of farming, it is not the farmers but the merchants and middle-men.

Herbie Pitman began driving a horse-drawn plough at the age of 15; for a 52-hour week he was paid £1. Now he earns the craftsman's minimum of just over £100 for a 40 hour week and, depending on the time of year, up to £20 a week

in overtime.
Oliver points out that earnfarm vary considerably from farmers farm, since employees to bring their

others pay as little as possible. Ironically a dry spring like this year, which makes it easy to get machines on to the fields,

harvest time, some men may work 15 hours a day. But, though the extra money is welcome, they get little time with their families.

Guardian

Police

Internal MoD

Both Oliver and Herbie live in tied cottages, for which there is a treoretical maximum rent of £1.50 a week, but which few bother Harold has recently moved into

father who died last May. Herbie thinks that tied cottages are a disadvantage because they provide a pretext for not paying better wages. He would like to see them abol-

Employment Dept official, dismissed

in progress

In progress

"Most of what you hear about perks is rubbish", Harold insists. "I get firewood free, if I cut it myself. But we don't get free milk or potatoes like they did in the old days when there was more mixed

A big expense is running a



Mr Hodder: Against tied houses

car, now a necessity in rural areas. "Up 'til 1955 or so, if von saw a farmworker with a car, you'd think he'd robbed a

"In summer I never used to be able to get to town", Harold recalls, "because I never got home in time to catch a bus." Now his nearest shop is four miles away.

Oliver is keen to dispel the idea that farm workers are interested only in higher wages. They are concerned about issues such as straw-burning and hedge removal and about farms getting steadily bigger through amalgamations.

But the bad image that farmers have earned is not always justified, he says. Owners of land generally tend to look after it better than tenants, he remarks.

None of the three sees farmworkers' strike as likely in the present climate. But Oliver is scathing about the apathy of those who survive on a diet of bare breasts in The Sun and Bingo, and who haven't got the interest and intelligence to look

Harold thinks that traditionally close man-to-man relations between farmer and farm-worker have bitherto deterred rebellion. But things might change if farms become any bigger and relationships less

Despite their grumbles, all three men realize that their security and way of life are much envied, particularly at a time of high unemployment. "If a job is advertised, there are anything up to 100 applicants",

Oliver says.
"When there was a rumour of a vacancy for a dairyman the other day, there were appliations from as far away as Norfolk. And it was only a



High school students setting a car on fire in Atteridgeville, near Pretoria, yesterday after its driver knocked down three pupils protesting against the closing of schools in the black township (AP reports). The three pupils suffered only minor injuries, and a crowd of about 3.000 students dispersed after dealing

with the car. Highschools in Atteridgeville have been hit by periodic boycotts since the

beginning of the year. Students have protested against the Government's refusal to allow them to elect their own student councils, as well as against alleged excessive corporal punish-

# Cabinet nuclear report leak embarrasses Hawke

From Tony Dubondin, Melbourne matched with developments in not likely to be of much use in the event of a conflict with

chemical or biological weapons.

We recognise, however, that

The document was, The

Details of a confidential other countries "should the Cabinet document which calls for Australia to make nuclear Government so decide", the document says.
"Independent of Australia's weapons in the event of neighbouring countries obtaintreaty commitments, we see no ing such weapons have been published by the weekly news magazine The National Times. security advantage to Australia now in the acquisition of

The federal government has not denied the authenticity of the information, and has or-dered federal police to investi-gate the leak.

such weapons could be acquired relatively easily by unfriendly nations should they see advan-The document, "Strategic Basis of Australian Defence

Policy, says that Australia National Times claims, fully should be in a position to supported by the Government develop nuclear weapons as and accepted virtually without quickly as any neighbour that comment by the federal Cabinet

looks like doing so.

Developments relating to nuclear capability in countries within Australia's neighbourwhich last December.

On the question of the Anzus treaty with the United States, which has formed the cornerhood should be monitored in stone of Australian foreign order to ensure that the lead time for Australia could be

### Women tell Weinberger 'Go home'

From Mario Modiano

A small crowd of Greek women pacifists waved banners with anti-American slogans and chanted "Caspar go home", as Mr Caspar Weinberger, the United States Defence Secretary, arrived in Athens yesterday for talks with the Greek leaders.

The women turned up outside the VIP lounge of Athens airport, some bringing their children, in response to a call by Party of Greece, which is evidently disturbed by the recent spate of visits by top American and Nato officials.

The women waved placards demanding that Greece get "out of Nato", and saying "No to the bases of death". As the official processor drove off, they shouted: "No to the American Hawks".

The Communist Party said that this was only an hors d'oeuvre of the unfriendly

manifestations Mr Weinberger, who accompanied by senior aides, said he was looking forward to "fruitful and useful cussions"

# Reagan pledges backing for Philippine poll

From Keith Dalton, Manila

policy for many years, the document says that the treaty is

President Reagan, in appar-"meddling" in Philippine politics, has assured President Marcos that America regards the parliamentary elections in May as "strictly a Philippine

In a personal letter to the 66year-old Filipino President, Mr Reagan said he was confident the elections could bring about democratic institutions appropriate to the Philippines".

But he was less sure about the chances of Congress approving in full the military aid package promised to the Philippines next year as part payment for military bases here.
In his letter to Mr Marcos,

hand delivered on Thursday night by the American Ambassador Mr Michael Armacost Mr Reagan said that, while his Administration would continue to support the original \$900m (£616m) compensation package under the five-year military bases agreement signed last year, "I want to be candid and



Australian policy for some

years has recognised that the

threshold of direct US combat

involvement could be quite

high, and circumstances at the

time could significantly limit

US willingness or ability to help

Australia in other ways", the

Guinea Government to "sup-

press" West Irian rebels as a

Papua New Guinea border

base on Cape York in the far north of Queensland.

document says.

New Guinea.

President Marcos: Assured of US impartiality.

Asia and Pacific affairs recently voted a \$60m cut in next year's military aid and transferred it to the economic assistance fund, boosting this aid package to

Speculation that the amended aid package might pass the full House vote could explain Mr Reagan's admission that he may be unable to restore military assistance to its original level.

The Marcos Government has accused the Reagan Administell you that for now the tration of abrogating the bases outcome is uncertain". agreement, and has warned that outcome is uncertain".

The US House of Representing might be forced to review the tatives sub-committee on East entire agreement.

### Islam threat to Zia's birth control programme

From Hasan Akhtar Islamabad

A ruling by the government appointed Council of Islamic Ideology that artificial methods of birth control are unislamic poses a serious threat to the Government's multi-million pound population planning It also urges Australia to encourage the Papua New

The Islamic Council's verdict is not binding on the Government, but its popular means of reducing the potential Indonesian threat to Papua appeal cannot be minimized. particularly in the prevailing mood of return to orthodox

Any attempt to counteract an Islamic life. The council had also caused donesian attack across the stir a few weeks earlier when would be assisted by the establishment of an RAF lighter it declared that adult Muslim men without beards were committing a cardinal sin.
While the ruling on beards has apparently been largely ignored, the council's views on family planning are likely to have an adverse impact, even though not were then 16 per though not more than 10 per cent of Pakistan's 90 million people of child-bearing age eve

practise any kind of birth That the martial law regime is acutely aware of the appeal out by the withdrawal of the Government press statement containing the council's report within an hour of its being issued by the Press Information

Department. The council had also declared the circulation of pictures of film or sports personalities as part of sales promotion campaigns by commercial firms to be an unbecoming practice in Islam.

The Islamic Council, while declaring artificial birth control to be unislamic, further stated that its introduction would lead to apostasy, obscenity, wide-spread degradation of sexual motality, scarcity of manpower for defence needs and econo development, and poor health for mothers and children.

At a recent seminar orga-nized by the United Nations Family Planning Association in Peshawar, Dr Mahbubul Haq. Pakistan's Planning Minister, warned that if the expected two million births during the current five-year plan were not reduced, the cost to Pakistan would be \$1,500m (£1,027m).

#### PARLIAMENT March 30 1984

# Minister warns cyclists of dangers

Commons

Over the past decade the number of cyclists had increased annually, reversing the steady decline in the years before 1974, Mr Cecil Franks (Barrow and Furness. C) said on moving in the Commons the second reading of the Cycle Tracks Bill. As the number had increased so had the number had increased so had the number of cycling accidents.

Cyclists were vulnerable in traffic. One way of helping them was to provide separate cycle tracks either alongside or away from roads. This Bill addressed itself to the provision

and protection of such tracks. The most appropriate way of improving conditions for cyclisis was on the carriageway itself. Failing that, specific alternative provision for cyclists should be considered. Shared pedestrian-cycle use should primarily be a cycle safety measure of last resort.

The Bill would make a useful and

valuable contribution to ensuring the safety of cyclists while ensuring that the interests of others were protected. Mr Gerald Bermingham (St Helens South, Lab) said it had long been the hope of many that with the move towards a more leisured society the breycle would come back into its own. If the use of bieveles was to be

encouraged in the way suggested by this Bill it was necessary at the same time to encourage and extend

training for young cyclists. Mr Harry Greenway (Ealing North. C) said as one who cycled regularly about London and as a member of the all-party cycling group, he was often alarmed at the lack of room motorists gave to cyclists, and juggernauts were an absolute terror For safety the road had to be kept

free from pot holes and the GLC had signally failed to do this with London's roads. Cycling safety should be taught at an early stage. Children should not be allowed to cycle to school until they had passed a cycling proficiency test. It was good to see row upon row

of cycles at Westminster. It showed MPs realized the value of exercise and fresh air.
Mr Gregory Knight (Derby

North, C) said he welcomed the Bill as cycling was growing in popularity and it was only right to have proper provisions to cater for it. The procedure for converting footpaths into cycle tracks was tortuous and complex for local authorities, so be welcomed the proposal for them to be able to make the conversion in

Ayeles travelling without lights.

Mr Colin Moythan (Lewisham East, C) said 30 per cent of

one step. The measure was overdue.

Mr Peter Bottomies (Eitham, C)
said reducing the bureaucracy
involved in changing footpaths to
cycle tracks would encourage local
authorities to press ahead. The police should pay more attention to

households now had a cycle. It was an efficient and cheap method of recreation. It was healthy and enjoyable, quiet and did not pollute the atmosphere. The simplification of the procedure to convert of the procedure to convert footpaths into cycle tracks would encourage cycling as a whole.

Mrs Lyada Chalker, Minister of

State for Transport, said as a cyclefriendly minister she welcomed the There was no suggestion that there would be shared use of

pavements. The Government had encourage local authorities to provide facilities for cyclists and had been considering their needs in relation to trunk

road proposals. Currently there had been about 226 miles converted to Two routes in Canterbury and Stockton would soon be implenented. These would be monitored

by the Road Research Laboratory and give valuable information for the future. I very much regret (she added) seeing night after night cyclisis without properly functioning back and front lights. They do themselves

no benefit and put themselves and others in great danger.

Some 300,000 youngsters a year took the national cycling proficiency scheme and parents had a responsibility to make sure their children's cycles were in good order.

authorities in the form of a local transport note on cycle tracks. This advice would stress that shared use was to be an exceptional measure and that segregation by barrier or kerb was best. Occasionally cyclists' enthusiasm

overcame them and they did some pretty crazy things. Travelling about central London on Wednesday she was able to see things she hated sceing cyclists do, like weaving in and out of other vehicles. At times they almost mounted the pavement to cross junctions in order to avoid adhering to the rules of the road and obeying traffic lights.

If only exclusis would behave with more common sense and obey the rules of the road there would be fewer frustrated motorists who tended to try to ease cyclists out.

The Bill was read a second time. The Juries (Disqualification) Bill which disqualifies from juries certain people convicted of criminal offences, again failed to get a third reading in the Commons. Last Friday after several hours of debate the Bill's sponsors failed to carry the closure motion. Today after a short dehate, the voting for the third reading was 24 in layour and none against, but the Bill fell as fewer than 40. the Commons quorum

vated. • The Trade Marks (Amendment) Bill and the Agriculture (Amend-She was about to finalize advice which would be going out to local ment) Bill were both read the third time.

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# D'Aubuisson the statesman accepts defeat and denounces death squads

Major Roberto D'Aubuisson has put the results of Sunday's presidential elections in El Salvador beyond argument by conceding that his main politi-cal rival. Senor Jose Napo-leon Duarte, beat him to first

The fervently anti-communist major, not celebrated for his decorous behaviour, took everyone by surprise at a press conference on Thursday by congratulating Senor Duarte on "a magnificent campaign" and "a good resuli".

A vote count carried out by Major D'Aubuisson's National-ist Republican Alliance (Arena) party tallies roughly with that of Senor Duarte's Christian Democrats. Agreement now appears to be general that Señor Duarte picked up about 45 per cent of the vote and Major D'Aubuisson about 30 per cent.

The scene is therefore set for a run-off election between the two, either on April 29 or May n, it now appears.

The major revealed his sure populist touch at the news conference when he called for the multi-million dollar, American-inspired electoral system innovated for these elections to be scrapped in the second round. This demand will find an echo among those tens of thousands of Salvadoreans frustrated in their desire to vote during Sunday's chaotic poll.

But it was not so much D'Aubuisson the populist leader who was in evidence on Thursday as D'Aubuisson "the

pathological killer" - in a celebrated phrase - turned nolished statesman, "The polished statesman. The major, as he is known, is clearly being well-groomed for

the presidency.
In two packed news conferences during the past week he has deflected with consummate skill. with scornful case even,



Major D'Aubuisson: Skil-

the attempts of eager reporters to provoke an unguarded quote on his much-publicized in-volvement with El Salvador's death squads, and his alleged link with the assassination of Archbishop Oscar Romero in

"Major, what do you think of Duarte's claim that he'll carry out a thorough investigation into Mgr Romero's murder?" one reporter asked.

"I'd welcome an investi-gation by Duarte. In fact, I'd welcome it so much I'd almost vote for him," replied Major D'Aubuisson, adding: "I believe in the law, we must restructure the judicial system.

"Will you do anything to improve the country's human rights situation if you win?" "We in Arena are the first to

want human rights really to be improved in El Salvador." Major D'Aubuisson is visibly growing in composure in his handling of an international press corps he recently described as "the real death squads of El Salvador".

At the Thursday press confer-ence major D'Aubuisson was asked what he thought about a threat by a death squad against the manifestly incompetent Central Electoral Council, which is still counting the votes of Sunday's election

stand just how much damage they are causing our country

#### of Sunday's election. From Richard Owen "It's atrocious. These people (the death squad) don't under-

# **Exodus of Miskitos explained**

Coinciding with increasingly supporters of the overthrown in Managua, whatever its severe rebel attacks against the Sandinista Government, and with appeals from Managua for help from the international community, an official Nicaraguan delegation was in Lon-don this week to explain the refugee problem on the remote Atlantic coast.

The region, which accounts for more than half of Nicaragua's territory but only a tiny percentage of its population, has heen drawn into the war being waged by the contras from neighbouring Honduras and Costa Rica.

The traditionally neglected and disaffected Miskito Indians

US admits

flights over

Salvador

Somoza regime, and more than 20,000 Nicaraguan Miskitos have taken refuge in neighbouring countries, where they live in camps under the supervision of the United Nations High Commission for Refugees.

The solution to the refugee problem has become one of the elements in the Contadora group's efforts to promote a regional settlement in Central

The Sandinistas lay most of the blame for the Miskito exodus on skilful manipulation The traditionally neglected by the contras of the Indians' log-cuttin and disaffected Miskito Indians historic grievances, and mishave provided fertile ground for trust of the central government language.

political complexion.

But the Sandinistas' two ministers responsible for the Atlantic coast, Comandante William Rairez and Comandante Lumberto Campbell, cheerfully recognized yesterday that the present Government's mistakes have contributed to the problem.

A Miskito representative, Schorita Hazel Law, explained that the Sandinistas had failed to understand such things as the Miskitos' long-standing claim to log-cutting rights and their desire for schooling in their own

# worries Indians

From Christopher Thomas Washington The United States has confirmed that "for some time" it has conducted reconnaissance llights over El Salvador to provide the embattled army with almost instant intelligence on the movement of antigovernment guerrillas.

It is first time the Americans have conceded any involvement in the four-year civil war beyond the provision of military aid and training of Salvadorean troops. The aircraft are believed to operate out

Mr Thomas Pickering, US Ambassador to El Salvador, said in Washington that reconnaissance flights connected with the Salvadorean presidential election would continue at, least until the run-off election. expected to be held in early

He added that the missions did not represent any expansion of the US role in the war. These kind of things have been part of the scene in El Salvador for some time".

New of the reconnaissance missions came as the Senate debated President Reagan's request for an immediate \$62m (£42m) in emergency military

aid to El Salvador. A formal vote is expected on the floor of the senate next week. Senator Edward Kennedy. who is heading the rigorous opposition, said: "We are being led into a war."

From Michael Hamlyn

Amritsar

state of Punjab is rising this

week as both sides prepare for a

week-long series of demon-strations in support of the Sikh

peacefully protesting demon-

should court arrest all over the

state. A further 25,000 will offer

themselves during the rest of

At the same time, however

the extremist wings of the Sikh

community have been making

plans for stepping up their protests. The All-India Sikh

On the first day, next

strators.

Tension in the strife-torn

Sri Lanka violence

Acute anxiety is being expressed in India over reports renewed violence in Sri Lanka. According to reports reaching here from the north of the island, as many as 30 people have been killed and at least 25 are in hospitat following indiscriminate firing by security forces in two places. The firing followed a Tamil

terrorist attack on a group of Air Force personnel in Chunnakam in the northern province. The airmen immediately opened fire on a crowd in the street, and later drove through another town near by, Mallakam, where they opened fire again. Children, and pregnant woman, were said to be among

Arsonists - reported by the news agency United News of India to be more Air Force troops - set fire to seven shops in Apchavelly, 10 miles from Jaffna. And in the northern-most habitation in the island, Pedro Point, the Sri Lankan authorities have raided a number of homes and arrested 40 people with suspected ties to the Tamil terrorists.

The Indian Government in a official statement deplored the violence in Sri Lanka and urged all sides to continue the political process of dialogue and consultation. The statement was badly

received in Colombo where the Sri Lankan Foreign Minstry accused the Indians of reacting one-sidedly and neglecting to condemn terrorist violence. Yesterday, however, the

Indian spokesman pointed out that the statement had con-demned all violence, and added that the High Commissioner would be speaking to the Sri Lankan authorities "appropri-

A member of Mrs Indira Gandhi's own party asked her Government immediately to despatch Navy and Air Force personnel to Sri Lanka to protect the Tamil minority. An Opposition MP accused the Government of "dilly-dallying"

The Indian public has also been perturbed by what appears to them to be a renewed effort by the Sri Lankan Government to bear down hard

on the Tamil population.

A new Ministry has been set up with the title Ministry of National Security, charged with rooting out Tamil extremism, under Oxford-educaed Mr Lalith Athulathumndali. Military rule is to be imposed on the Jaffna district from tommorow and the Tamil administrator of Jaffna has been replaced by a Sinhalese.

The Bombay English-language newspaper, The Times of India, said yesterday that these measures, together with the Government's suspension of the intercommunal talks until May "have further encouraged the security forces to believing that for all practical purposes interested in redressing the numerous and legitimate grievances of the Tamils but only in cowing them down into sub-



to mark his retirement as Deputy Supreme Allied Commander, Europe. He was rehabilitated after dismissal because of allegations that he frequented homosexual bars.

#### Chernenko hits at American terrorism

Diplomats said yesterday that Mr Konstantin Chernenko's latest remarks showed the Kremlin had little or no hope of a rapprochement with the Reagan Administration before the November presidential elections.

The Soviet party leader's sharp criticism of the United States follows a month of bitter Soviet attacks on American policy in southern Africa. Central America and the Middle East.

In a speech in honour of Mengistu Haile Colonel Mariam. the Ethiopian leader, Chernenko scorned Washington's posture as "champion of peace" and accused the United States of ignoring Soviet proposals on nuclear arms reductions. He said American actions in Nicaragua graphically demon-strated Washington's "state terrorism".

The recent focus of Soviet anger, however, has been sword. (In Massachusetts they southern Africa, where Moscow did Mr Mondale more harm believes Pretoria is "posing as a than good.) In addition the 3.5 champion of peace" under American messure.

Colonel Mengistu - despite Moscow - is one of Russia's closest allies in Africa, and is currently chairman of the Organization of African Unity

Tass said his talks with Mr Chernenko on Thursday and with Mr Andrei Gromyko, the Foreign Minister, and Marshal Dmitry Ustinov, the Defence

Minister, yesterday, had been warm and friendly.

The photograph on the front page of *Pravda* suggested that in foreign affairs at least Mr Chernenko is first among equals rather than in sole charge. It gave equal prominence to Marshal Ustinov, Mr Gromyko, Mr Chernenko and Mr Geidar Aliyev. The late Mr Yuri Andropov used to receive foreign leaders alone.

In his Kremlin speech Mr Chernenko promised continued Soviet aid to Angola and

Mozambique, Colonel Mengistu replied by praising Soviet aid to Africa and said the OAU had only been saved from disintegration by considerable efforts.



# Mondale favoured in crucial primary.

# New York may fool experts

If endorsements alone won presidential primaries then Mr Walter Mondale would walk away with New York on Tuesday.
Virtually every politician and

organization of note has come out for him. Mr Mario Cuomo. the state's popular and influential Governor, is his campaign chairman. New York's Mayor Mr Ed Koch, has come out for Mr Mondale as has the state's best known Irishman, Senator Daniel Patrick Moynihan, as well as prominent black and Hispanic congressmen.

In this heavily unionized state, where workers traditionally follow the dictates of their bosses, the AFL-CIO has staked its prestige on delivering a former Vice-President.

Publications as diverse as the Village Voice, the Jewish Press and the New York Post have urged their readers to vote for Yet the results of earlier

primary contests this year have shown that political endorse-ments can be a two-edged



million registered Democrats in New York have a reputation for bucking the authority of their

In 1980, they voted for Senator Edward Kennedy against President Carter in defiance of the whole party apparatus. And in 1982 they voted for Cuomo as Governor instead of Koch, the choice of the party establishment. The New York primary has

become the pivotal event of the 1984 campaign. With 285 delegates at stake, New York will be sending the second largest delegation to the Democratic party's nominating convention in San Francisco this summer. Both Mr Mondale and his chief rival, Senator Gary Hart, badly need a victory on Tuesday.

-endorsements count for very little in presidential primaries." said Mr Mark
Siegel, a local assemblyman and capecied to win most of the 400,000 black votes. "Political

volunteers which has come forward to work for us."

To demonstrate his point Mr

Siegel takes visiting journalists on a tour around the newly-opened Hart headquarters in

The place is buzzing with campaign workers, most of them young answering phones, cyclostyling leaflets, answering phones. The Mondale headquarters in the next-door

building is tomb-like by comparison. The polls, the pundits and the conventional wisdom (all of which have been proved badly wrong this year) are predicting a clear victory for Mr Mondale. The former Vice-President is

believed to have a 2-1 lead among Jews, who comprise almost one third of Democratic voters in New York, although Senator Hart's lavishly pro-Israel speech of a week ago may have won him some converts. Mr Mondale is also believed

to be leading among trade union menbers and the elderly. Mondale aides believe he will pick up some black support, but the

# Crosses appeal by Polish bishops

From Our Corresponden Warsaw

Poland's Catholic bishops. refusing to accept the Commu-nist authorities' ban on displaying religious symbols in public buildings, have asked that crosses taken down from classroom walls be allowed to remain.

remain.

In a pastoral letter to be read from all pulpits in the country on Sunday, the bishops emphasize the meaning that the cross has traditionally had in Polish culture and history. According to Church sources, the letter insists that crosses be permitted in educational institutions since the overwhelming majority of the overwhelming majority of Polish children come from

The bishops also make reference to the Pope's recent statement that in Polish life all available means should be used to return the cross to its proper

The bishops, who ended a two-day meeting in Warsaw on Thursday, issued a final communicus, issued a final com-muniqué which was milder than the pastoral letter in its references to the issue. They praised the sacrificial and long-lasting defence of the cross carried out by its supporters. both grown-up and young". Poland's officially atheistic

Government has made it a matter of principle to uphold the separation of Church and state. The Government spokesstate. The Government spokes-man, Mr Jerzy Urban, said the authorities were not seeking "a war of crosses" with the Church, but were determined to remove all religious symbols from state schools, blaming fanatic believers and priests advocating "militant clericalism" for inciting protests.

Meanwhile, an impasse was reported in attempts to settle the digrate which began three

the dispute which began three weeks ago when students staged a sit-in at the Stanislaw Staszic agricultural training school in Mictne, about 40 miles southeast of Warsaw, to protest against the removal of crosses from their classrooms.

After classes were suspended the school reopened on Tuesday without the crosses, but only about 50-70 of the 600-plus students were said to

attending classes.

Hundreds of young people from the region gathered yesterday afternoon for a Mass in Garwolin, celebrated by Bishop Jan Mazur, who has limited his daily meal to bread and water since Tuesday, pledging to continue his fast as long as the crosses dispute in his diocese remains unresolved.

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Rising tension in Punjab Sikh militants prepare week of protests

> Moderate killed A moderate Sikh leader who spoke out against the burning of the constitution by demon-strators at the Delhi Sikh temple was coolly assassinated

in a Delhi street by gunmen who walked over to his car and pumped 10 bullets into him. The leaders of the Sikh political party, the Akali Dal, under the direction of its president. Sant Harchand Singh Longowal, are proposing to fill the jails of the state with Four members of a familywere shot dead near the Golden Temple by a gang of seven or eight killers who burst into the house of Mr Rachpal Singh Bedi, a former associate of the founder of Akali Dal, Master Monday, the organizers are proposing that 25,000 people

> Students' Federation, which was officially banned by the central Government last week. has made plans to circumvent its banning, and is reported to have proposed an increase in militant activities.

In the Golden Temple of Amritsar where he shelters, Mr Harminder Singh Sandhu, the general secretary of the AISSR, a revolver at his hip and a bandolier of ammunition around his shoulder, explained to me that the federation would

continue despite the ban.
it would organize teams within Sikh temples - known as Gurdwaras or dwellings of the Guru - all round the state and outside. "Three thousand new recruits have come forward since the announcement of the

Meanwhile, across town, the Amnitsar chief of police Mr Ajaipal Singh Mann, insisted that he did not need an further reinforcements to deal with the expected troubles. With his desk surrounded by officers form the paramilitary Central Police Reserve Force, he said he would be redeploying those forces at track shortly before two express his disposal.

deal with more than 5,000 demonstrators courting arrest in the centre of the old town

But he acknowledged that dealing with terrorists was a more difficult proposition. "I draw a parallel with Britain", he said "in 12 years they have not managed to eliminate terrorism from Northern Ireland.

The terrorists have the sympathy of the people. If they did not we would not be in this position. We are simply not getting information. We get no cooperation from the people."
Two further terrorist outrages

were reported in Punjab on Sunday. A chief prosecution witness in a case concerning the killing of some policemen was his courtyard, and the police continued to search for the men who blew up a stretch of railway trains passed over it.

From Christopher Walker, Agaba

King Husain: Surprisingly

moderate statement.

problem. It could lead to the

resuscitation of a modified version of the moribund Rea-

gan peace plan if the King could

succeed in securing backing for his move from the moderate

Arab states and the loyalist faction of the PLO led by Mr

The moderation of the King's remarks took Middle East correspondents by surprise. In

recent years, he has frequently dismissed Labour's so-called "Jordanian option" of trading large chunks of West Bank

territory for peace as being of no great significance in distinguish-

ing its overall attitude from that

insurmountable obstacle to a

sources said the warring fac-

Lebanese capital. They went to

the port of Beirut from where

Six shells fell in Beirut's old

port in the afternoon, but no

sounds of the explosion, heard

the reports of agreement by the

The Christian Voice of

Lebanon radio station also reported that several Lebanese

Army soldiers were injured when their armoured personnel

carrier was attacked by Druze

gunners as it was carrying lunch

to the Army garrison at the

mountain town of Souk al-

Sources in the Government

said the representatives of the

Christian, Shia Muslim and

Druze militias on the new

Security-Political

warring militias.

they are to depart today.

minutes to leave their head-quarters between the Muslim

commercial district near the officers.

lonina over

Yassir Arafat

With the Israeli general election less than five months away, King Husain yesterday made some remarkably conciliatory remarks about the possi-bility of a victory for the current front-runner, the opposition Labour Party, whose leader, Mr Shimon Peres, this week said he. was prepared to negotiate for peace outside the parameters of the Camp David process.

The King's statement, de-livered to British correspondents at the end of the Queen's live-day visit, was seen in diplomatic circles as raising the possibility of improved chances of breaking the dangerous Middle East deadlock if Labour succeeds in defeating the rightwing Likud coalition.

At the same time, it was noted that the tenor of the King's comments could have potentially damaging consequences for Labour in the furthcoming campaign, by exposing it to charges from Likud leaders of being soft on the issue of the West Bank, which is expected to be a key issue, along with Lebanon and

the economy.

I am very interested in a phenomenon we see that Labour now appears to be more responsible in terms of its unnounced positions so far". the King said. "And for a party in opposition to adopt such an attitude is very interesting to insurmountable obstacle to a

watch.
"If as a result Labour comes to power then maybe there is a change that is a healthy one in Israel itself."

An agreement between the peace agreement Labour, like Likud, flatly refuses to contemplate any negotiation over the eastern part of the Holy City annexed soon after the 1967

An agreement between war. Labour and King Husain to Sp

Rivals give

Peres a

third chance

From Moshe Brilliant,

Mr Shimon Peres, the twice-

descated Labour party candi-

date for Prime Minister, was

offered a third chance yesterday

when his two rivals for the party

nomination dropped out of the

Mr Yitzhak Navon, the

former President, and Mr Yitzhak Rabin, the former

Prime Minister, announced that

they had yielded to a feeling in

the party leadership that a

contest at this time would be divisive and hurt Labour's

chance in the elections, sched-

rivals, and Mr Navon in particular, enjoyed greater

pularity than Mr Peres, who

Mr Navon, who remained

led the party in 1977 and 1981,

above politics during his five-year period as President, and took a year's cooling-off period after he stepped down, said he

had been persuaded to stand by

friends, who had said the party

would have better prospects

it transpired that he could not

get the nomination without a

contest, he said. Mr Rabin later

said that he, too, was dropping

He decided not to stand when

Polls had shown that both his

uled for July 23.

for an agreement with Israel could be summed up under the slogan "total withdrawal for

But he spoke grimly of the immediate prospects for peace in the region, reminding journalists of the difficulties posed by the continuing Gulf War between Iran and his close ally, Iraq,

Although the King repeated his earlier strong criticism of the US Government because of the strength of its Israeli ties, which he again said had cancelled America's chances of being a regional mediator, he went out of his way to temper what had previously been interpreted as personal criticism of President

Reagan.
The Jordanian monarch emphasized that the US leader was a personal friend, and described him as "a man of courage and of vision". His determination to clear up any misinterpretation of his earlier attacks on the United States was seen as hinting that perhaps the King had not abandoned all hopes of US involvement in the peace process.

The King said that Britain and other EEC countries could now play a greater part in trying to break the Middle East stalemate, if only by informing the world accurately about the facts, such as the situation in the occupied West Bank.

Jordan's policy he said, was now based on two central planks: the continuation of the renewed dialogue with the PLO, and the move to have Arab decisions taken by majority Labour and King Husain to come to the negotiating table would be central to finding a solution to the Palestinian King made clear that his terms war.

Speaking on the patio of his rather than concensus, which would eliminate the wrecking power of radicals such as Libya and Syria.

The disengagement plan calls

Lebanese police and 40

unloaded pistols took up the

"green line" positions left by the French. The French ob-

servers are Marine Commando

civil war. The Syrians were

replaced by the invading Israeli Army in 1982, and they were replaced in turn by the French,

British American and Italian

peacekeeping force, the last remnant of which is now

departing.

DAMASCUS: Mr Robert

Gallagher, the Director of the United Nations Relief and

Works Agency for Palestinian refugees, said he had been

ordered out of Syria (Reuter

there was no immediate com

ment from Syrian officials.

reports). He gave no reason and

capital will not be occupied by a Pay it.

No-man's-land fixed

as French pull out

French troops left the Beirut Committee agreed to the disen-

truce observers and Lebanese on Thursday night with Presi-

tions had agreed on a disengage- for militia forces on each side of

ment zone along the line the "green line" to pull back dividing east and west Beirut.

It took the French just 12 of exchanges of curses leading

and Christian sectors of the French truce observers carrying

clearly in the city centre, foreign army for the first time tempered a cautious hopeful-since 1976, when Syria sent its

police yesterday as Government dent Amin Gemayel.

"green line" in the hands of gagement plan at a meeting late



Swan song: A French soldier with the multinational force in Lebanon whiling away the last few minutes before boarding ship in Beirut barbour.

# EEC not going broke after all

perfectly properly and in the

interest of good housekeeping.

The European Commission has backed away from a headon clash with Britain over a demand for early payment of a £100m contribution to the EEC. After the British Government made plain on Wednesday that it would not hand the money over yesterday as ordered to, the Commission "discovered" it did not really need it yet

anyway.
The Commission's move away from confrontation means that at this very sensitive time in Britain's relations with the rest of the EEC there is no additional complicating factor in the form of a European Court case against Britain for failure to comply with an order.

At the same time it indicates a lack of firmness by the Commission at the precise moment when it has been asked to show imagination in drawing up a set of proposals to lead the Community out of deadlock. The view in Brussels is that the Commission should have had enough foresight to withdraw its demand for the money before The departure of the French the British Government could injuries were reported. The will mean that the Lebanese announce that it would refuse to

The demand for the money

**Financial** 

gun aimed

at ministers

From Ian Murray Brussels

EEC agriculture ministers

resumed their weary nego-

tiations in Brussels yesterday

afternoon with a financial gun

pointed at their heads. If they fail to reach agreement by tomorrow their indecision will

start costing the Community

That is money which the cash-starved Community can ill afford at the moment. There

was hope in Commission circles

yesterday that the stark econ-

omic facts might force the

ministers to take initiatives and

make compromises which would at last break the

The most difficient issue remained Ireland's insistence that it must be allowed to

increase its milk production,

even though everyone else was being required to cut back. The Irish demand has run into

tremendous opposition, particu-larly from the Netherlands and

Bokassa robbed

Versailles (AFP) - Intruders

entered two chateaux belonging to the former Central African Emperor Jean-Bedel Bokassa,

and got away with documents.

Mr Bokassa was asleep upstairs.

some £6m a day.

deadlock.

At that time the Commission was expecting that it would have to make payments by the end of this month totalling about £733m to Britain and West Germany as rebates for

Money of that sort was beyond the Commission's normal means, so it planned ahead by asking all member states to pay over by March 30 their agricultural levies and customs duties, due on April 20.

The failure at the summit and subsequently at last Tuesday's foreign council, however, meant that France and Italy refused to lift their block on payment of the rebates. In consequence, the Commission did not have to have the extra money available, but it did not immediately withdraw its demand for the special payment.

On Wednesday, Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Foreign Secretary, told Parliament about the failure at the Council. While ruling out any decision at that

what is likely to be their last

card in efforts to disassociate

their country from the attempt to murder the Pope by publish-

ing an appeal addressed to the

Pope himself by the Patriarch Mahim of the Bulgarian Ortho-dox Church, calling for the release of Mr Sergei Antonov.

Mr Antonov has been cus-

tody here since November, 1982, on suspicion of having

been involved in the plot against the Pope's life in May

He was accused as an accomplice by Mehamet Ali Agea, the Turkish terrorist who

seriously wounded the Pope in St Peter's Square during the

May 13 public audience. Mr Antonov and the Bulga-

rian authorities have always

proclaimed his complete inno-

cence. He was employed in Rome by the Balkan Airline. Agea also accused two other

Bulgarians who had, however,

already left the country.

Mr Antonov remained in

Rome for more than a year after

the unsuccessful attempt on the

Pope's life. He was then arrested and last Christmas he

was freed from prison on

grounds of ill-health and held

under house arrest. Last month

a court ordered his return to

The appeal on his behalf by

the previous year.

Patriarch's plea to

**Pope for Antonov** 

The Bulgarians have played Patriarch Mahim is published in the Bulgarian weekly Church

for this week would not be transferred to Brussels ahead of

Mr Gaston Thorn, the Commission's president, commented that this move would sour relationships. When asked if Britain was to be taken before the European Court, he told journalists that the Commission would have to consider what action to take.

On Thursday afternoon, after studying the figures, the Commission suddenly discovered that it would not need the money to be paid early, after all, It did reserve the right to make an extra demand if the finances deteriorated, but for the moment it was notifying all states that they did not need to send through their transfer

The Community always lives from hand-to-mouth and the Commission admitted yesterday that it was doing "gymhas-tics" with its cash in order to meet its commitments. At the same time, it was now confident stage on withholding contri- that it could cover its legal butions to the Community, he obligations for the present said the early payment called without the carly payment,

News. The Patriarch expresses

his conviction that Mr Antonov

is innocent and says that the

Pope's "extremely authoritative

contribute to the "triumph of

Patriarch is known in Rome as

perhaps the most anti-Catholic

of the leaders of the Eastern

Orthodox churches.

There seems little chance that his appeal will be considered.

The Italian judicial investi-

gation is near its end. The

public prosecutor has com-pleted his report. He now has to decide whether to propose the acquital of Mr Antonov or

His opinion then goes to the Investigating Magistrate, Signor Ilario Martella, who will make

the final decision on acquittal

Mr Antonov's lawyers be-

lieve their client will inevitably

be sent for trial and that the

case will probably be heard in

Patriarch Mahim makes the

point that the Pope has already

publicly forgiven Ali Agea and visited him in prison. But as

head of a foreign state the Pope

could hardly be expected to try

judicial procedures.

to alter the course of Italian

have him sent for trial.

It is somewhat ironic that the

would be able to

# over Paris police shake-up

Outcry

The long-simmering discontent among the police has been highlighted by the French Government decision to replace three senior officers in the Paris police force because of aleged "indiscretions," and to close the press room in the headquarters of the Paris Crime Squad. Both decisions have provoked a public outery.

The removal of M Jacques Genthial, the highly respected and successful head of the Crime Squad, who was appointed by the Government only two years ago, has caused particularly vigorous protests both from within the Crime Squad itself and, exceptionally, from eight Parisian criminal court judges. It is rare for the judiciary to give public support to a policeman in that way.

The Government has never fully explained its reasons for M Genthial's transfer to a posed post involved in moderposed post involved in moder-nizing the police force. It will only say that there were far too many "leaks" from the police appearing in the press, without explaining how M Genthial himself was involved.

Various theories have been put forward as to why M Genthial fell out of favour with the Govenment, and all seem to lead back to the Elysée alace and President Mitterrand, where control of the police is now believed effectively to lie.

It is said that the Elysée did Hostages safe not appreciate M Genthial's role in bringing to light the "irregularities" committed by the GIGN, the Elysée-favoured elite, anti-terrorist squad within the gendarmerie, over the arrest in September 1982 of three alleged Irish terrorists.

It is said that he had too close contacts with a writer by the name of Jean-Edern Hallier, who claims to have written a book (as yet unpublished) on the secrets of President Mitterrand's private life. M Hallies himself claims that M Genthial warned him that the Government were probably tapping his

It is also suggested that M Genthial discovered embarrass-ing links between an alleged left-wing terrorist, named Jean-Louis Baudet, and the Elysée. But none of these theories has been conclusively proved.

News of M Genthial's replacement and the closure of the Press room in the Crime Squad's headquarters came shortly after the publication last week of a confidential report by M Guy Fougier, Chief of the Paris police, in which he complained that the police could no longer effectively carry out their duties in the capital because of an acute shortage of personnel.

rougiers complaint were, of course, manna from heaven for the Opposition which has made the deterio-ration of law and order one of its main vote-catching themes.

The Government says that it has increased the number of police by 8,841 officers since coming to power in 1981, which compares with an increase of only 5,340 over the previous five-year period. However, another leaked document from the Minister for Public Security shows that that increase "barely compensates" for the reduction in the working week introduced under the Socialists.

### **Submarine** skipper held after loss of trawler

ishermen were drowned when their trawler sank after an accident with a German-built submarine off Jutland. Police said they were questioning the

captain of the submarine.
The trawler, the Ane Katrine, was fishing for lobster when the accident occurred in the Skagerrak between Denmark and Norway. Police suspect that the submarine, the Simpson, built recently for Chile and undergoing sea trials, may have become tangled in the nets of the trawler and dragged it down.

An official inquiry has been

#### Funeral tribute to Sekou Toure

Conakry (AFP) - Some 50,000 Guineans paid homage yesterday to the late President Ahmed Sekou Toure as he was buried with full ceremony here, They started to gather at dawn in the September 28 stadium and there were scenes of hysteria as the coffin, draped in the green, yellow and red national flag arrived on a gun

carriage. Heads of state from all over Africa were present for the stadium enluogy and burial at the national mausoleum. Vice-President George Bush of the United States and M Pierre Mauroy, the French Prime Minister were among mourners.

Lisbon (Reuter) - Seventyfive British. Portuguese and Filipino hostages, captured in a guerrilla raid in Angola have arrived safely at a Unita base camp after marching for over a month, according to a Unita source here.

#### Poison found

The Hague (AFP) - Dutch trawlers have recovered 12 of the 80 barrels of highly toxic herbicide lost by a Danish ship during a storm in the North Sea in January.

#### Nurse guilty

Riverside, California (Reuter) -Robert Diaz, a male nurse who claimed to possess psychic healing powers, was convicted of murdering 12 elderly patients by giving them overdoses of a heart drug. He could be sentenced to die in the gas

#### **New Premier**

Dhaka (AFP) - President Hussain Mohammed Ershad of Bangladesh has named Ataur Rahman Khan, aged 79, as his Prime Minister.

#### **Express delivery**

Tacoma, Wasnington (A 23-year-old women who thought her weight gain was due to giving up smoking and her labour pains were indigestion gave birth suddenly in her livingroom to a 7lb daughter. Her husband had a vasectomy two years ago.

#### Threat to town

Hilo, Hawaii (Reuter) - A state of emergency was declared here as the flow of burning lava from the Mauna Loa volcano moved to within five miles of its outskirts. Residents are ready for evacuation.

## Workers seized in Lisbon protest at pay arrears

From Martha de la Cal, Lisbon

workers have been arrested and taken to police headquarters for identification this week for gathering in front of the official Lisbon residence of Dr Mario Soares, the Prime Minister. The arrested men, union

representatives, were demanding an audience with the Prime Minister to discuss the plight of over 150.0(4) workers who are owed several months' salaries. The arrests were made on the ground that the men were holding unauthorized demon-strations and were gathered within 100 yards of the Prime Minister's residence, an act prohibited by law. The union officials claim they were not

Two hundred and twenty simply gathering in small orkers have been arrested and groups to petition the Printe tken to police headquarters for Minister.

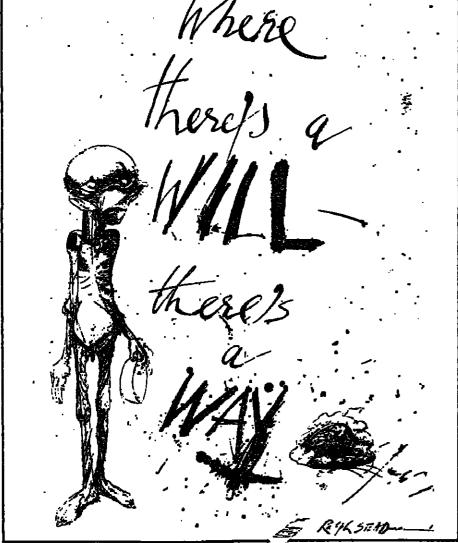
The arrested men are members of unions which belong to the Communist-led CGTP labour federation. The Government claims, however, that the meetings form part of an organized plan to harass the

Government. However, the workers do have a legitimate complaint. Many of the 150,000 have not been paid for a year, and their families are suffering genuine hardships as prices are rocketand his control of the control of th

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Some 457 companies owc hack-wages to their workers. The total amount owed is holding a demonstration, but estimated at £120m.



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Behind bars: Five Italians found guilty of kidnapping Gaby Kiss Maerth, the daughter of a Hungarian-born British businessman, who were jailed by a Como court for terms ranging from 16 to 20 years.

# **US** rounds on another UN agency From Alan McGregor

Geneva

Following its ultimatum to Unesco, the United States has now attacked United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (Unctad), accusing it of being responsible for "serious negative trends" in the North-South negotiations on cconomic development.

The US briefing paper on Unctad, issued here yesterday, said these trends will lead eventually to a total breakdown of this process". An official said, "Unetad is simply on the wrong track."

The US briefing paper said there must be changes in Unctad's leadership, management, mandate and work

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# THE ARTS

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#### Theatre

# Midsummer of content

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Land Sink

Reaching Stratford after five months on the road Sheila Hancock's production confirms. if confirmation were needed, that the RSC's touring standards are as exacting as those of its home-based products. The cast is headed by some

names new to me, coupled with some veteran actors lower down the list. But in no sense is this a B company; and above all, the show presents Miss Hancock (as classical director of real authority. Where Shakespeare is concerned, she possesses two indispensable attributes — a clear personal vision of the play. and the capacity to let individ-ual actors flower inside it.

Bob Crowley's setting suggests a dusty attic with an old wardrobe in one corner and a back wall of tarnished mirrors. into this joyless den stroll the mechanicals to give us a jolly opening number on their homely instruments (including a washboard and a kettle, all carefully tuned up under Quince's supervision); then, as they are taking a bow, a weird previously unseen sprite erupts in their midst and darts into the wardrobe, slamming the door. The wardrobe thereafter figures as a magic box, as in the stories of Masefield and C S Lewis,

and into which they retreat.

Shakespeare's own opening falls distinctly flat after this introduction. Miss Hancock has not made things easier for herself by oping for late nineteenth century costume suggesting a conference of hotel doormen, which reduces the Duke's scene with Hermia to that of a head waiter ticking off a maid who has been entertaining followers on the premises.

There is also a sense of the

director flexing her muscles, and this intensifies with the first full sight of the fairles, encircling the studio's outer perimeter with uncarthly hoots, and then her Hammersmith production with unearthly hoots, and then of The Soldier's Fortune as a taking the floor in elaborate animal pantomime which there seems small hope of sustaining. However, they do sustain it without obscuring the text and it even allows individual parts to achieve a rare degree of independence: particularly in the case of Charles Millham's Mustard Seed, a lost boy with sepulchral dignity and a gravelly voice that match his battered top hat.

Pantomime and dance periodically break out through-out the show, reaching a climax in the thrilling drum-accompanied pas de deux for the reunited Oberon and Titania. But such effects invariably grow out of dramatic situation rather than competing with it.

Transformation from courtly to woodland nobility works wonders for Penny Downie and Roger Allam, whose Oberon is

as commanding as any I have seen. Mr Allam is a honeyed verse speaker, but no sconer has he established that than he sidesteps the golden voice trap; reserving pure lyricism for the invocation of magic, and otherwise snapping into a most businesslike relationship with David Whitaker's horned Puck whom he is apt to hold by the scruff of the neck or lead around by the ear to prevent his winged assistant from behing off to commit yet more mistakes.

Precise articulation of changing moods is one of the show's

main virtues, Amanda Roots' Hermia, for instance, discovering herself alone in the forest, succumbs to a passage of wild-eyed panic, then collects herself and her large Gladstone bag (a prop that gets funnier with every appearance) and trudges gamely off in search of Lysander. The same process operates on the smallest scale, as where the garlanded Bottom (Philip Jackson) announces quite seriously that he had a good ear for music, marks this with a pause, and then asks for the tongs and the bones - which Ilona Sekacz's uncarthly musicians duly supply.

Unfairly, but as always, the comedy is dominated by the Lancashire mechanicals. Under the supervision of Frank Middlemass' Quince, a beaming paternal stage manager driven round the bend by the company's incurable habit of saying Ninny for Ninus, they awaken



Summer flowering of talent: Titania and fairies

the proverbial scenes with an amazing flow of fresh business. George Raistick's Snout comes on as Wall trembling under his weight of masonry, Mr Jackson remains a sensible artisan down to the last death-rattle; while Jimmy Yuill again

maybe I should say it at the

beginning. After a rather pain-

fully wooden start, made worse,

I'm sure, by comparison with the sinuous periods of Frank

Delaney who preceded him,

Hunter Davies has become a

thorough asset to Radio 4's Bookshelf (Sundays and Thurs-

days). The difference between

now and his first weeks may be

nothing more than habituation

and consequent relaxation, but

it makes all the difference because it allows a well-in-

formed, thoroughly unpreten-

tious and companionable, en-

I thought that Mr Davies's

broadcasters talk to royalty do

they let it be known by a dozen tiny inflections and turns of

opinion the appellant was innocent

thusiasm to shine through.

displays that the nearly word-less Snug is the funniest part of the lot; apparently a hopeless liability who comes into his own when grasping a horn and blowing his colleagues off stage

Irving Wardle

#### Concerts

# Searching for a voice

Musica Antiqua of London

Wigmore Hall

By the time you read this we will know whether the Early Music Network may have fallen victim to the Arts Counci's new development strategy: I trust

not, for this set of concerts by the best ensembles in the field for tour around the country is. like the Arts Council's own Contemporary Music Network, an example of enlightened patronage at its best. That said, the concert of Spanish Renaissance music the last of this season's tours is a sombre affair, performed without much conviction or sophistication. The court of Ferdinand and Isabella can

scarcely have been as dreary as Musica Antiqua (a London group, not the Cologne baroque nsemble) makes it out to be.

Perhaps the absence of one of their regular versatile instrumentalists imposed some restrictions, but there was rarely much life in the dances, except in the subtlety of Jakob Lindberg's lute-playing, and the noise of the pair of shawms, which must have frightened a

cus, was crude. It seemed strange to place the

characterization to their voices, they explored some of the darker corners of the palace songbook, especially "Harto de tanta portia", with concentrated simplicity.

Nicholas Kenyon

Philharmonia/Davis Festival Hall/Radio 3

It is strange how, occasionally. constrasting minds seem to agree. Robert Simpson's splendid Fifth Symphony, a welcome presence in the penultimate concert of the Great British Music Festival, comes from the pen of one renowned for his musical conservatism. Yet the impact of this work is strikingly similar to that of the symphonics of an English composer whose language could hardly have been developed more differently, Peter Maxwell Davies.

Both have discovered that there is considerable mileage left in the old Beethovenian symphonic principle of conflict and resolution manifested through contrasts of stasis and few passers-by in Oxford Cirrhythm, harmony and countertwo singers behind this array of point, tonal anarchy and stabnoise, for the contributions of ility. Simpson's work, written in Margaret Philpot and Rogers 1972, makes its points by covey-Crump were the most successful aspect of the pro-

gramme: supple and flexible insistence. A single chord, quiet singing, quietly sustained. Although I have heard both singers impart more edge and the singers impart more edge and the singers impart more edge and the singers impart more edge. frame the structure, and in each Simpson uses the device of fragmentation in order to destroy and rebuild.

Similar thinking, ingeniously applied, dominates the canons that form the second and fourth movements. In the first of these, the chord is gradually dismantled at the entry of each voice, while in the second the process is revered, each line resolving on a single constituent note and providing opportunity for some fascinating rhythmic interplay. The central Scherzino is itself arch-shaped, begining distant and huilding to a huge climax before subsiding again to the C that is the work's tona

The symphony, garnished by Simpson's resourceful and colourful orchestration, wholly vindicates his consciously evolutionary approach. Andrew Davis guided the Philharmonia Orchestra through it with exciting commitment, despite the slight panic caused by his sending the score crashing to the ground with an incautiously extravagant gesture in the

Earlier John Ogdon played Alan Rawsthorne's Second Piano Concerto (1952), whose solo part demands all the stamina and skill he still clearly

Stephen Pettitt

#### **Television**

# A delicate operation

It has often been said that the women", one critic said of the or embarrassed about sexual women's wards of hospitals are original stage version. a hot-bed of salacious gossip, and Raspberry (BBC2) tended to confirm that description. "This is surely the most convincing piece of writing a man could ever produce about

### CHOICE

One Pair of Eyes (tomorrow, BBC2. 8.05pm) is Professor Laurie Taylor's totally anti-rural diatribe that balances Beryl Bainbridge's mainly antiurban lament in her current BBC2 series English Journey. We are hardly five seconds into the country vistas and Greensleeves music that the professor hates than shots are cut in of the London buses and tidal wave of commuters that he loves.

Tennyson's "profitable intercourse with Nature" finds no reflection in the professor's through landscapes where he complains people ston where parking allows and not where Nature dictates, and where, unlike the city, there are Professor Taylor substitutes his own blues for Nature's greens. and it is all such good and

Leaving aside Flaubert and Madame Bovary, one might at least grant that the author, Tony Marchant, has understood that women are far less squeamish

idiosyncratic fun that we don't believe a word of it. Radio drama highlights: Christopher Russell's Swimmer

(tomorrow, Radio 3, 8.05pm) was part-recorded in a public swimming baths. The acoustic authenticity is important. The tragedy of the crippled youth who adapts himself to a new ideal element, water, and the girl he metamorphoses into a mermaid, has a metaphysical inspiration. But it calls for a realistic resolution if the closing seconds are to shock - which they do. Snapping Out (tonight, Radio 4, 8.30pm) is dramatized fact, the story of a British (contrived Cockney, at least) couple's attempt to reclaim and the somewhat artificial their daughter from the Moonies who have absorbed her, body and soul. No parent whose holidaying child suddenly becomes a grinning automaton

Peter Davalle

matters than men;

His was a play about the extraordinary things people will tell each other when they are in adjacent hospital beds. Eileen is having an abortion and Chris, the older woman, is being treated for infertility – one is timid and woebegone while the other is apparently more assert-ive. Together they explore the

meaning of their lives.

Their dialogue was full of gynaecological and faintly prurient detail ("All systems go", the brisk little nurse explained. This kind of thing is, always taken for granted these days, although the more sex is anatomised, the less interesting

it seems.
Television lends such contemporary dramas an air of social realism, especially when they are set in a hospital, although the contrived dialogue situation brought Raspberry very close to the atmosphere of the stage performance from which it has been adapted. As a play it was no doubt effective,

of the legal consequences of crime. Many of the extracts their Lordships

had been shown from textbooks and

existence of a conviction un-

Commission on Thomas (1980) I NZLR 602) where it was held, among other things, that the effect of a partion was to remove the criminal elements of the offeace but

not to raise the inference that the person pardoned had not commit-

their Lordships agreed with what was stated in the Tasmanian and New Zealand cases. The effect of a

free pardon was to remove from the

It remained to be said of that

conviction that the Home Secretary wished the court to know, as counsel

eliminate the conviction itself.

touched.

#### Radio

There is something I have been experience of an author as it meaning to say for weeks past. affected the writing of a book. but somehow - bad planning, I In short, he sounded much the suppose - I always reach the last allotted word before I say it. So same as he usually does.

You will have noticed although the page three feature of this week's Radio Times may not have done much to help that Radio 4 is about to embark on another phase of its experiments in restructuring. The dreaded Rollercoaster will become a reality on Thursday, April 5. There are one or two items I view with apprehension, but I don't think I'll tell you what they are for fear of accusations from Broadcasting House that I endeavoured to persuade you to cry "foul" before the whistle had even been blown. In fact, I look forward to next Thursday with a mixture of anticipation and

qualities as presenter showed nowhere better than in last week's interviewing of the Duke of Edinburgh. How often when Meantime the first experi-ment continues and has tried to smooth out its most noticeable rugosity by removing The Financial World Tonight from the middle of The World phrase that, while on the face of Tonight and plonking it down it carrying on as one equal to at the end. This is an improve-another, in fact they are ment, but it hasn't done psychologically on one knee, if anything to lighten the end of not with tongue to toe of boot. the Radio 4 weekday evening But not here: Mr Davies was as which, if you include Today in respectful as he ought to be, but Parliament, now consists of 90 not deferential, approaching the minutes of unalloyed news and Peter Ackroyd occasion for its literary interest, current affairs. Friday, of so as to bring out the special course, brings Week Ending at

11.30, but even this is in fact a branch of the current affairs industry, delivered in a differ-

ent tone of voice. On Radio 3 we are in the middle of one of those valuable series which, among other things, invite us to see our British selves from another angle. The Troubled Dream (Sunday; producer, Caroline Thomson) is a four-part reassessment of the welfare state by Professor A.H.Halsey. It has been particularly

interesting to see how natioal attitudes and the convictions of those in power - presented, of course, as if they were self-evident truths - shape the way things are done. We in Britain, for instance, provide a conpara-tively good safety net for those who have fallen right off the bottom of the economic ladder: they won't actually hit the ground. But our record of support for the low-paid is not so hot, while attitudes to the unemployed still owe much to might not have guessed, if you listen only to the assertions of the Second Lady of the Realm and her followers, that Britain is already one of the lowest public spenders in Europe and provides among the lowest bene-

David Wade

# Dance

# The exception that proves the skill

**Douglas Dunn** Riverside

Douglas Dunn, hitherto known in Britain as one of Merce Cunningham's best dancers, and as performer of an outstanding solo programme that opened the first Dance Umbrella season, brought his small company to Riverside Studios this week for two performances. The three works given, all created during 1981, confirmed him as a choreographer of exceptional skill and originality.

He uses a wide range of movement but deploys it with a seemingly casual ease which hides the care that must go into View. atmosphere. lasting almost 50 minutes, unfolds with the relaxed expansiveness of a summer day spent in a field. audience that there were empty The relationships of the dancers (generally two or three at a most interesting and rewarding time) created a landscape of activity to the bird and animal noises of John Driscoll's score Another score by Driscoll

which the dancers seem to become farmyard creatures. fishes, cavemen, theatrical hams and circus performers The sound of traffic forms pa-of the material ingeniousl deployed in Linda Fisher score accompanying Hitch where agitated gestures of wris and hand punctuate the encoun ters and delays. Dunn's dancers, one other man and four women, are al

accompanies the comic Skid, in

smoothly skilled in the control balance, lightness and varied pace his choreography demands Dunn himself, elegant and authoritative, cultivates a dry

manner and sometimes provides a centre for the action but in solos and ensembles car still out-dance his gifted yours companions. It says little for the discern-ment of the modern dance

seats at what could well be the programme of unfamiliar works in London this year.

neighbour and another of her sons. His Lordship accepted h

evidence in preference to all the police officers. They had deliber ately lied to the court about what had happened, concorting falsa

evidence to deflect the plaintiff

justifiable claim.
The plaintiff had suffered bruis

ing and tenderness over a number of parts of her body, and although the injuries were now healed she was

still frightened every time she heard a knock at the door.

The appropriate figure to compensate her for the trespass and the assault was £6,000. However, that

was not sufficient to punish the defendant for the outrageous behaviour of his officers, and £2,000

Queen's Bench Division

John Percival

### Court of Appeal

Before Lord Justice Watkins, Lord Justice May and Mrs Justice Butler-

[Judgment delivered March 29] The effect of a free pardon was to remove from the subject of the pardon "all pains penalties and

punishments whatsoever" ensuing from a conviction, but did not climinate in any sense the convic-tion itself. The Court of Appeal tCriminal Division) was the only body which had the statutory power The Court of Appeal so held when giving reasons for allowing on

March 26 an appeal by Barry Arthur Foster and quashing his convictions (following pleas of guilty) on November 7, 1477 at Nottingham Crown Court (Mr Justice Stephen Brown) of rape and attempted rape of two girls aged 10 years (counts I and 4 of the indictment), in respect of which he had been sentenced on February 21, 1978, to unlimited detention under sections 60 and 65 of the Mental Health Act 1959. Two further counts (of attempt-

ing to commit buggery and indecent ult on the same girls - counts 2 and 3) to which the appearant had pleaded not guilty and which had been ordered to lie on the file, were proceeded with before Mrs Justice Butler-Sloss, sitting as a judge of the crown court. No evidence was affected and predicts of not guilty offered and verdices of not guilty were recorded in respect of both

John Melville Williams, OC and Mr Oliver Thorold for the appellant; Mr A. J. Arlidge, QC, and Miss Rosamund Horwood-Smart

LORD JUSTICE WATKINS. giving the judgment of the court, and that fortunately for the good name of justice, this was a very unusual story.

The leading figures in it were two

men, the appellant and a mac named Denzil Pearce. Until 1977 the appellant, who was of low intelligence, was a man of good character. Pearce had an appallingly

Following police inquiries into an incident in which three small girls were indecently assaulted, Pearce first denied but then admitted committing the offences. On December 7, 1981 at Preston Crown Court he pleaded guilty to those Pearce also pleaded guilty in respect of which the appellant had

pleaded guilty to count I of the indictment laid against him, and also to the two offences relating to also to the two offences relating to counts 2 and 3.

Peace asked for over 70 similar offences to be taken into consideration, but he denied involvement in the offence of attempted rape which was the subject of count 4 of the indictment against the appellant.

Only agreed.

Next. their Lordships had to be admit the new evidence. Under section 23(1) of the 1968 Act their Lordships deemed it necessary and expedient for it to be heard after a was the subject of count 4 of the indictment against the appellant.

Peace was sentenced to life plca of guilty. This case was undoubtedly exceptional.

The only evidence on which the osecution could rely when they the basis of admissions made with

prosecution could rely when they proceeded against the appellant were admissions which he was recorded as having made in a series of interviews with the police following the assaults on the two It was necessary to say as clearly

as possible that at the time they were offered to the court the pleas of guitty had all the appearance of being genuine and they were made without equivocation. A psychiatrist recommeded that he needed treatment urgently in conditions of maximum security.

However, the trial of Pearce and

what he admitted cast a very different light upon the confessions of the appellant, and consequent upon Pearce's confession and subsequent consideration, by police officers and the Director of Public Prosecutions, the Home Secretary was persuaded of the appellant's innocence of the charge of rape, and recommeded that he be pardoned. So it was that on March 11, 1982 her Majesty granted a free pardon in respect of count 1.

The appellant remained in Rampton Hospital because he was still subject to the order made in respect of count 4. On August 25, 1983 his case was referred to the Mental Health Tribunal. On February 8, 1984 an application for ball was granted with a condition of

it was contended in the appeal that in the light of new evidence (mainly that of Pearce's conviction) the appellant's convictions on counts I and 4 were unsafe and unsatisfactory and should be quashed. The appellant had made an affidavit stating positively that had not committed the offences.

Their Lordships had to look at the powers they had to deal with this unusual situation. The power of the court to quash convictions arose out of section 2(1) of the Criminal of section 2(1) of the Criminal Appeal Act 1968, as amended by section 44 of the Criminal Law Act 1977. The effect of those provisions was considered in R v Lee
(unreported) in which the judgment
of the Court of Appeal was given by
Lord Justice Ackner on December 9, 1983.

The conclusion of that court was that even though an appeal against conviction was in respect of a conviction brought about by a plea of guilty the court was not in a position to quash the conviction. Their Lordships respect-

Their conclusion therefore was that the appellant's conviction on count 1 still survived. The appeal against it was therefore properly brought and having regard to the fresh evidence which their Lordships had admitted there was no doubt that the conviction should be appeled.

Pardon does not remove conviction instructed by the Director of Public Prosecutions stated, that in his

> the authority of the Director of Public Prosecutions, to quash the In relation to count 4 submiss addressed to the court by both counsel led their Lordships to conviction on count 1. However, their Lordships had to decide believe that their duty lay only in one direction. It was said that it whether there was a conviction upon count I to quash, after a free could not be doubted that the confession made by the appellant on pardon had been granted in respect of it. The effect of a free pardon count I was untrue. And if he was capable of making that untrue upon a conviction had not been considered by the courts for very many years. Counsel on both sides had devoted a vast amount of research to the issue.
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> The definition in law of a pardon, confession it could not be doubted connession it could not be doubted that he was equally capable of making another false confession. On those facts a jury would conclude that it was unsafe to convict on according to the Oxford English Dictionary. was declared to be a remission, either free or conditional,

of that charge.

Mr Arlidge supported the argument put forward on the appellant's behalf in this regard and was instructed to invite the court to sh the conviction on count 4. On articles, some of them written centuries ago tended to support the propostion that a pardon left the the facts themselves their Lordships concluded that no jury properly directed could safely come to the conclusion that this appellant was guilty on count 4 and the conviction Their Lordships had been accordingly would be quashed. referred to R v Casgrove([1948] Tas SR 99) Where it was held that the partion granted was not the equivalent of an acquirtal. Refer-ence had also been made to Rayal

The appeal, therefore, was allowed in respect of all counts. Solicitors: Bryan & Armstrong, Mansfield; Director of Public

#### Exemplary damages against police Police of the Metropolis . Before Mr Justice Park

Law Report March 31 1984

[Judgment delivered March 30] Exemplary damages of £2,000 were awarded against the Commissioner of Police of the Metropolis to Mrs Clementine George, a West Indian-born woman living in Lower Sydenham. London, by Mr Justice Park in the Queen's Bench Division, who said that police witnesses had deliberately lied to the court. Mrs George was awarded a total of £8,030 in her action for trespass and assault after several police officers had forcibly entered her home on September 30, 1980 and assaulted her. Mr Wilton Hill for the plaintiff, Mr Jeremy Gompertz for the

MR JUSTICE PARK said that the plaintiff's son had been identified as having been present with two other coloured youths when a man had been stabbed However, the victim's girlfriend had had a good view of that incident and had seen that the plaintiff's son had played no part in the attack, but had waited on the scene until the police

A misleading entry on a police

detective sergeant charged with investigating the offence into thinking that the youths had acted in concert, but that officer had interviewed the victim and his girlfriend and must have been told by her that the plaintiff's son was not one of the assailants, and in any event he ought to have known that the son had given his name and address to the officer at the scene.

In the light of McArdle v Egam ([1933] All ER Rep 611), Dumbell v Roberts ([1944] I All ER 326) and Shaaban Bin Hussain v Chong Fook Kem ([1970] AC 942), and of the information which must have been available to them, the police did not have reasonable cause to believe that the plaintiff's son had been involved in the stabbing offence.

Accordingly, the police did not have power under section 2(4) of the criminal Law Act 1967 to arrest, nor had they the right under section 2(6) to enter the plaintiff's home at all, let aione by force. While it was reasonable for them to want to interview him, that did not require bim to be arrested.

If his Lordship were wrong about that and the police did have power to arrest the plaintiff's son it was

he was in the plaintiff's home. She had given evidence that she ad told them that he was not there which was in fact the truth), but hat they had told her that she was account, as was the evidence of a sciontific truth of the she was a count. The medical evidence was consistent with the plaintiffication of the she was a count. The medical evidence of a sciontific truth of the she was a count. had told them that he was not there (which was in fact the truth), but that they had told her that she was lving and, when she had refused to open the door, had forcibly broken the chain. Police had on several occa

arrested her son at home, and she had always cooperated with the police on those occasions. They had no reason to believe that the plaintiff was not telling the truth or that she was trying to protect her son from arrest.

In those circumstances, even if

they had a lawful power of arrest under section 2(4), they could have had no rensonable suspicion that he was on the premises so as to give them a right of entry under section 2(6). Accordingly, on either footing, the officers' forcible entry had been

Having entered, the plaintiff alleged that one or more of the officers had hit her with their fists and kicked her and over a period of half an hour had ransacked her

lain on the floor, drumming it with

by others. home.
The officers denied any physical contact with the plaintiff, and said that she had become hysterical, and

would be awarded by way of exemplary damages to mark the court's disapproval of the officers' actions and to stop their repetition There would be judgment for the plainuff with costs
Solicitors: Sylvester Small & Co.
Brixton; Solicitor Metropolitan

# Procedural bar to hearing grievance

Before Sir Robert Megarry, Vice [Judgment delivered March 28]

subject of the pardon all pain penalties and punishments ensuing from the conviction but not to In proceedings against the Ministry of Defence by residents of houses adjoining Gatow Airfield in the British sector of West Berlin, Mr Arlidge, for the Crown, had referred to a number of practical reasons why that result should follow, and had mentioned the claiming that the construction of a hooting range on land there wo follow, and had mentioned the practical disadvantages of in being otherwise. He submitted that constitutionally the Crown no cause a nuisance to them by excessive noise, such as to injure their health, an application by counsel for the ministry to have the constitutionally in the control of institutions only a prerogative of institution only a prerogative of mercy. It could not therefore remove a conviction, but only pardon its effects. The Court of Appeal (Criminal Division) was the only residents' statement of claim struck out was allowed by the court but only for procedural reasons, and the making of any order by the court was stood over pending a further hearing of an amended statement of body which had statutory power to quash a conviction. Their Lordships claim, after a written application had been made to the Attorney General by the residents for leave to add, him as a defendant to the

Mr John Macdonald, QC and Mr Owen Davies for the residents, Mr

John Mummery for the ministry. THE VICE-CHANCELLOR said that except for the procedural sector of Berlin, they were to be point the residents seemed to have a driven away with no bearing of their case on its merits. The court had heard no justification for what.

courts in Berlin, then again in the High Court in the British sector of Berlin and now here in the High Court in England, where an issue of a certificate by the secretary of state meant that the proceedings should

There was no need to be told by

able that — as counsel for the ministry had accepted — there was no court with power to decide whether the residents were entitled to the remedy they sought. If heard, their claim might fail, or the court might decide that in all the circumstances of the case (including the special position of West Berlin),

it would not be right to grant the discretionary remedy of declaratory relief; but at least the residents would have had their day in court, and would have bad their claim considered on its merits. That would have been their right

That would have been their right if their houses and the shooting range had been in England, bur because they were in the British serior of Berlin, they were to be

The European Convention was not of course law, although it was legitimate to consider its provisions in interpreting the law: and naturally it would be given full weight for that purpose.

the European Convention on Human Rights that it was deplor-So far as concerned the procedural point, the Crown
Proceedings Act 1947 and the
jurisdiction of the High Court to
hear the case were at the centre of
the dispute. The residents wanted to
rely on the 1947 Act (and especially rely on the 1947 Act (and especially section 17 relating to those authorized to be made parties to proceedings) as enabling them to sue the Ministry of Defence, as a party, but as there was no statutory authority for the bringing of an action against a defendant of that name, their claim had to fail on procedural grounds since they were precluded from proceeding "under recluded from proceeding "under

> On the other hand, the point of substance of their claim did not appear to be altogether beyond argument. Proceedings for tort under the Act were barred by section 40(2)(b) and by the certificate of the secretary of state under section 40(3) since they were

necessarily proceedings under or in accordance with" the Act, but proceedings for tort that were pursued outside the Act, relying on the exposure of the Crown to actions in tort by section 2, could be actions in for by section 2, could be said not to be proceedings "under or in accordance with" the Act, even though it was only by virtue of the Act that they could be brought at all.

The court was not sure that the somewhat remarkable distinction produced by that was enough to make under or in accordance with embrace such words as "by virtue of". The court was not sure enough on the point to hold that the statement of claim should be struck out if that ground stood alone, although the court was reluctantly compelled to conclude that it would have to be struck out on the procedural point.

In the result, an application for leave to amend the statement of claim would be deferred until a written application had been made to the Attorney General to add his name as a defendant in the action. No order of the court would be made at the present stage.

Solicitors: Seifert Sedley & Co;

#### Special reasons relate to latter offence

**Bolliston v Gibbons** Where a person was convicted for the second time within ten years of driving with excess alcohol and was thus liable to disqualification for a minimum of three years by virtue of section 93(4) of the Road Traffic Act 1972, a court, in determining whether special reasons existed justifying disqualification for a shorter period, was required to take into account special reasons which related only to the commission of the latter of the commission of the latter offence. Lord Justice Ken and Mr Justice Forbes held in the Queen's Bench Divisional Court on March 29.

Construing covenants Receiver for the Metropolitan Police District v Kemley-Thirlby Ltd and Others A covenant, like any other

contract, was to be construed by reference to the intention of the parties as expressed in their own words and in the circumstances of the whole case, Mr Justice Beldam held in the Queen's Bench Division on March 28



## **SPORTING** DIARY

## Over and out for John

The Grand National - one of the few major sporting events to be held without Bolero being played - takes off, this afternoon, and it could well be John Francome's last appearance in the race. Francome, the top National Hunt jockey and fish and chip shop owner, has often stated his intention of retiring before the dangers of this most terrifying of

sports catch up with him.

He has never won a National, though has won just about everything else, and the only target left is beating Stan Mellor's record of career winners - 1,035. Francome hould manage that this season. He partners Grittar, the 1982 winner, in the big race. His mother will, as is her custom, lock herself in the larder while this most dangerous of races is while this indeed there was talk last year of a Francome fund to stop the National being saved. This column has a fancy for Eliogarty.

The flat racing season is back with us again, praise the Lord, which means it is time for us all to start boning up on our Arabic, as the splendid chaps continue to pour their petro-dollars into British racing. Names of the horses will continue to be' a problem for us: Shaikh Mehammen has named one horse Mugassas after his favourite camel.

Sinking feeling

Where was that old Bristol stalwart John Pullin on the glorious day when his team beat Harlequins in the semi-final of the John Player Cup? Sad to say, he was eventually spotted slowly sinking into the mud in the middle of the pitch at Nottingham, a damp and hedraggled rugby person gallantly explaining for the benefit of HTV viewers, why there was no play possible in the other semi-final when Nottingham failed to play Bath.

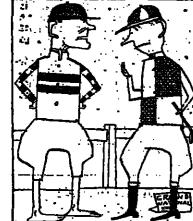
#### Ouzot?

Could a young cricketer from Corfu called Costas Vassilas force himself into an English County side? Might we hear the mighty roar of "Howwe hear the mighty roar of "How-dai?" bursting from Greek lungs at Lord's? Might his anguish at a decision of "Ochisotto" be seen at Trent Bridge? Vassilas, aged 18, was at Lord's all last week being coached in the indoor nets and could get some ground staff games if he returns in the summer. He. bats (highest score 75 in a Corfiat 33 over match) and bowls turning the ball square on Corfu's matting wickets (best figures 7 for 50). He has set his heart on becoming the first Corfiat heart on becoming the first Corfiat professional cricketer in England, and, they say, he's in with a chance.

#### Flights of fancy

Princess Anne shares my own morbid fascination with big-time darts, and those doughty men who never lack stomach for the fight. But she knows when to draw the line. She let slip her enthusiasm for arrers in an interview on the radio, and quick as a flash, the British Darts Organization invited her to attend one of their major events, to give her the priviledge of seeing Eric, Jocky and the lads in the flesh, as it were. Wisely, and with immense politeness, she was forced to decline. Unabashed, the B.D.O. plan to ask her again.

**BARRY FANTONI** 



#### Monkey trick

Goal-scoring does seem to involve an awful lot of air-punching and kissing of chaps these days, but even the Football Association is of the opinion that Glyn Riley went a little recent goal. He made a remarkable simian ascent of the railings in order to salute his fans: The FA told him it was time to steady on a bit.

• There might yet be a Hoddle at Wembley this season, despite the eclipse of Tottenham Hotspur and their darling midfielder Glenn Hoddle. Glenda's uncle Dave Hoddle is assistant manager of Stansted, who play Whickham today in an FA Vase semi-final second leg match. A good win will send Stansted to Wembley.

# Hongkong hound

Les Cusworth is not the first rugby playing Irishman that springs to mind. But Cusworth, much capped for England, is playing for the Irish Wolfhounds R.F.C. team that contests the Hongkong sevens tournament this week-end.

# George Walden on Hongkong and Falklands parallels

#### The dangers of Two years after the invasion, the Falklanders are as safe as the day the last Argentine withdrew. But their real security depends on the stability of opinion in Britain. The Falkland Islanders lobby is alive and alert for any signs of backsliding. But there is now a British Islanders lobby, too. It is composed mainly of people who digging in were not against the war, and know the price of peace. But they are disturbed by a nagging sense of disproportion. The new lobby grows in perpetuity. But our ability to hold them is relative, too. This is not

becase the island cannot be defended - they can, indefinitely. But only at staggering COSL

every time some item of equipment

to sustain the Falklanders is paraded

across our TV screens with price tag

attached. It grows when we are

reminded that the cost to date is

flm per inhabitant. It will grow again when a deal with China over Hongkong is announced.

These doubts can still be silenced

by a simple question: how do you compute the cost of the defence of

sovereign territory? Yet, as the war recedes, the strength of this and other apparently unanswerable arguments could ebb with it.

To the layman, sovereignty seems

an absolute concept: you either have

it, or don't. If you do, you keep it, especially if the population wants

you to. Yet later this month, Sir Geoffrey Howe will be negotiating with the Chinese in Peking about

Hongkong Why are we contemplat-ing "giving away" the sovereignty of Hongkong Island? For the most practical of reasons: you give away

what you have and you can have only what you can hold. And we cannot hold Hongkong. In politics as in ordinary life, most absolutes

are rather relative.

The Faiklands, technically speak-

ing, like Hongkong Island, are ours

the speculation about what might

emerge from the Arts Council's

thoroughgoing review of its strategy

and determination to improve the

funding of regional arts activities.

Beneath all the discussion of the

forthcoming changes, in which Sir-

William Rees-Mogg has been cast as Robespierre and Mr Luke Rittner as

St Just (or possibly the pair of them

as Burke and Hare), has been the

that there not only should be, but

actually is, an unlimited amount of funds available for the arts, pro-

vided from tax revenue by a

generous Treasury in response to the

lightest wish expressed by the Minister for the Arts, so that if for any reason this belief should prove

to be mistaken, it is all the fault of

the minister and the Arts Council

for not demanding enough loudly

Even Lord Goodman, a very

distinguished and successful chair-

man of the Arts Council in his day, fell into this trap in his Observer article on the Council's strategy,

though I am by no means sure that

even if he had not done so his article

would have carried quite as much conviction as he might have wished,

in view of his extraordinary claim

that "no new concert hall has been

built in this country since 1931". (He hastily contradicted himself

nine lines later, when he remem-

bered the Barbican, but that still leaves the Liverpool Philharmonic Hall, which in 1937 replaced the 1931 building that Lord Goodman

knows about, the post-war Free Trade Hall, Manchester, the St David's Hall in Cardiff, the Wyvern

Arts Centre in Swindon, the Snape Maltings, and for that matter the Royal Festival Hall, Queen Elizabeth Hall and Purcell Room.)

Of course, the belief that resources

are infinite in a finite world is not

confined to the arts; it is the basis of

very widespread attitudes to the

welfare state in general and the

National Health Service in particu-

lar. But among no group is it more

strongly and instinctively believed

than it is by the people responsible

for the scores of arts companies,

institutions and projects funded by

enough,

Self-determination is another absolute which is easily relativized. There are good reasons for its not applying in Hongkong, and, anyway, the Chinese would not stand for it. But self-determination in the Falklands cannot be a dogma either, for different reasons. Don Pacifico and civis romanus are all very well, but the British mind would presumably reject a situation in which the last farmer on the island might decide on his own account to stay, thus incurring the massive costs of his defence. At what number between 1,800 and one does the principle of elf-determination cease to operate?

Absolute refusal to discuss sovereignty is a relatively recent phenomenon. Within a few years, we have gone from a readiness to countenance leaseback to relentlessly insisting on sovereignty. During that period, in a purely legal sense, nothing has changed; in real life the situation could hardly be more different. A criminally irres-ponsible invasion resulted in 255 British dead. In political terms, that alone justifies a reversion to absolutist attitudes.

practical political context that predominates. This context is now evolving rapidly, in three ways. The Argentine regime has changed for the better feelers are out on both sides. Second, though our own ability and will to defend the islanders has not changed, the full extent of the cost is only beginning to emerge. Lastly, and most importantly, there is a noticeable evolution in public opinion. Recognition of the paramountcy of the wishes of the islanders is one thing. but in the last resort, it is the British people and Parliament that are paramount. The Faikland Islanders are now all full British citizens, too,

This new context is already increasing the pressure on the Government to compromise. But governments exist to lead, as well as be led, and there are moments when decency matters at least as much as political expediency. There is something mildly in-

decent about being asked to give the Agentines today what they tried to seize by force two years ago, just because they are now asking nicely. The new regime is only months old, in a country with a history of chronic political instability. This is not a reason for British obduracy.

But you cannot begin a long process of negotiation by melting at the first smile.

What can we do? It is now often suggested that the ball is in our court. In fact the Argentines' court is littered with balls that could take years for them to return.

Yet the British Government must have a positive policy - otherwise the whole issue could turn sour. It would be damaging to the sense of national purpose shown during the war itself if domestic recrimination were to follow the euphoria of victory. People understand that sovereignty cannot just be slapped back on to the table. But if it dawns on them that there really is no end to the dispute or the expenditure, even though Argentina continues to behave responsibily, the erosion of public support for the Faiklanders could gather pace.

We are well dug in militarily; there is no need for us to dig ourselves in too deeply politically. What we should do is to reiterate tirelessly that it is up to the Argentines to change the broader context in the long term. They need to prove to us, and to the Falklanders themselves, that they are reasonable people with honourable intentions. After what they did that will take time. We can help the Argentines to help them-selves by not appearing unrespon-

us, not vice versa. ©Times Newspapers Limited, 198

sive. But it is for them to conciliate

The author, Conservative MP for Buckingham, was Private Secretary to Lord Carrington when he was

Some of the proposals inevitably

rest on hopes rather than evidence; no doubt the Royal Court ought to get a substantial part of its funds from local authorities, but whether

the discussions with the relevant

councils on which the Arts Council are to embark will bring about this happy consummation is another

matter. So, even more emphatically,

highly unsatisfactory that the Royal Shakespeare Company should, in respect of its Stratford-on-Avon work, continue to rely solely on Arts Council support, with no contribution from the district or county council authorities, whose revenues benefit greatly from the company's power in attracting tourists to the area.

and I should know, because I have

been saying this in public for a little over 26 years, and much good has it

done me, or for that matter the

But any such proposals as these

are bound to include some weak

ones. In general, I believe that The Glory of the Garden, as the document is called, puts the main weight of the Arts Council's

eleemosynary function exactly

where it ought to be. The Arts Council could, indeed, have gone

much further; and it is clear that in

due course it will, not only because

the sub-title of the report is "A Strategy for a Decade", but because

throughout the argument there is an

unmistakably forward-looking tone

deployment of the Arts Council's

sub-divisions, panels, advisers and

staff. (If Sir William thinks excessive

the next step, it seems, is a

attracting tourists to the area

Royal Shakespeare Company.

# Artistic fruits of the Rees-Mogg garden

Arts Council's new proposals for increasing aid to the arts outside London, unveiled yesterday at 105 Piccadilly, is that every single one of the principal predictions that in the past few weeks have confidently dominated discussion of the subject was wrong. The Arts Council has not withdrawn the subsidy it gives to the Royal Court Theatre; it has not given up the Hayward Gallery, it has not thrown the Serpentine Gallery into the Serpentine, nor the Riverside Studios into the river, it has not disbanded its Literature Department; it has not abolished the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra, or demol-ished the Wigmore Hall. I cannot remember when there was last so complete a failure on the part of so many newspapers to do anything but print gossip as though it was fact, in particular, if the Editor of *The* Guardian still has an interest in the repute of his paper, he should do something very drastic indeed about the standard of the arts reporting he has been getting.
But: there has been something even more fundamental involved in

#### by Bernard Levin

believe that they ought to be.

was against this background that Messrs Rees-Mogg & Rittner, Butchers and Poulterers to the Gentry, led the Arts Council into and through a radical reappraisal of its role. And the main thrust of what is proposed is one which it is simply impossible to turn aside: the correction of the grotesque and indefensible imbalance between the public money spent on the arts in London and in the rest of the country. Of course, the capital should be, and since the end of the Second World War has been, an international metropolis of the arts. Not only would it be impossible for many artistic .. centres, including some of the country's greatest and most successful, to survive and work outside London; the concentration of institutions in London has itself been a fructifying force.

To the creation of this "artistic metropolis", the Arts Council has contributed massively, and there is no disposition on the part of the Council (I am assuming that Sir William wrote the report himself - it has his style throughout, including the references to Pope and Locke) to regret this; on the contrary, it is plainly a matter for great pride. And yet, as the report says, "We live as two artistic nations - London and everywhere else". And he illustrates this accusation with some powerful

in the regions enjoys an Arts Council subsidy equal to one-tenth of that given to either of the two national theatre companies, the National Theatre or the Royal Shakespeare Company. Most receive less than a fiftleth.

public money, and those in charge of It is this continuing scandal that the Arts Council has at last set out to

> This document announces the largest single programme of devol-ution in the history of the Arts Conneil It is a gennine and major act of administrative decentralization, a step back from centralized bureauctacy as a mode of administering the arts in Great Britain.

For some time now, the Arts Council has been quietly refusing to add to its list of client companies in London, even when funds have been available; the money has gone to the rest of the country. Now, however, the reasoning behind this ad hoc policy is to be made an explicit principle, which will guide the Arts Council's policy from now on. Of course, the Churchill Theatre, Bromley, the Wakefield Tricycle Theatre Company and the Handel Opera Society will declare, and I am sure passionately believe, that the withdrawal of their subsidies means that the Visigoths have triumphed, that all civilized life in Britain will shortly come to an end, and that when Sir William hears the word culture he reaches for his gun. Some of the provincial companies which bave lost their grants will say all that Arts Council is only giving with one hand and taking with the other. This claim cannot survive a reading of the whole document; the strategy of strengthening the Regional Arts Associations (those companies which are to be devolved from the Arts Council to the regions will travel with their grants intact) is only part of the remarkable new thinking about the imbalance

the reeling, writhing and fainting in coils that has been going on during the past few weeks of speculation and that will go on throughout the next few weeks of comment, I can only advise him to wait patiently for

the effects of such new thinking when it begins to affect the people inside 105 Piccadilly as well as their It remains only to observe that he

who pricks the bubble must provide the soap. Those who now denounce the Arts Council's new strategy (we can ignore those who denounced it before they knew what it was), must be challenged to say how they would have gone about reducing the disparity between London and the rest of the country, and from which companies and organizations they would have withdrawn subsidy nstead of those the Arts Council have chosen, in order to provide the funds needed to do something about the disparity. If such alternative proposals are seriously put forward, a real and useful debate can be started. If they are not, all we need do to those who attack the Council's plan without offering an alternative is to quote the poem of Kipling from which the title of the Arts Council's

Our England is a garden, and such gardens are not made

By singing: - "Oh, how beautiful!"
and sitting in the shade,

While better men that we go out and start their working lives At grubbing weeds from gravel-paths with broken dinner-knives.

Times Newsjapers Limited, 1984

# Friends, Romans, clients....

New words for old/Philip Howard

Big fashionable words sometimes displace smaller exact words, like cuckoos pushing smaller birds out of the nest. Notice how "student" has largely replaced such words as "schoolgiri", and "school-"pupil", "schoolgirl", and school-boy". The process reduces the number of precise distinctions available in the language and is herefore a Bad Thing.

"Colleague" and "client" are two words that are at present behaving like cuckoos. They are widely applied in contexts where another. more exact word exists and would serve better. Colleague is used in referring to soldiers, who have comrades; or 10 sailors, who have shipmates; or to criminals, who have accomplices.

Originally a colleague was elected Simon Barnes along with another colleague a

partner in office. But etymological origins need not bind us in the way we choose to use words today. The objection of the blanket use of colleague is not the snobbish one given in the OED: "Not applied to partners in trade or manufacture." It is that the categorical alternatives convey a greater identity of purpose about the activity in which those concerned are engaged.

Comrades in a regiment fight in a common cause, protect each other's flanks, bind each other's wounds and so on. Shipmates go to sea together. Accomplices confederate in their nefarious activities. But your old cuckoo colleagues may talk of and to each other "with the greatest respect", and quietly put the boot in at the next opportunity: the thing that comrades, shipmates, and

perhaps even accomplices ought not

between regions as well as between

London and the regions as a whole.

Euphemism and preference for a posh word also causes the cuckoodom of client, for example to refer to the raw material of the social worker's profession. I should have thought that an essential feature of the modern relationship between a professional and his or her client was that the client is the boss, and that he can hire, fire, and sue the professional.

This is not true of a person who is being worked over by a social worker, for the initiative is not with him. In fact the social worker has no "lay" clients, but is rather in the position of a barrister, whose clients are other lawyers, viz. the solicitors acting for plaintiff or defendant. In

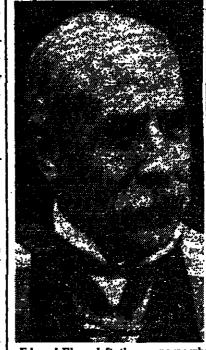
the case of social workers, their clients are the local or other authorities, who refer to them the problems of people who are having difficulty in their relationship with

Unfortunately, I am not sure what other word to suggest. "Case" is impersonal. "Patient" is too medical. "Victim" is a bit harsh. Perhaps 'dissenter" or "outsider".

If you want to justify "client" you can do it by going back to the Roman derivation. A client was under the protection of a patron in the complex tribal society of Rome. He was etymologically a listener, literally a person who is at another's call. But that was 20 centuries ago. And I am not sure that the social workers want the implication that their clients are their servants, at their beck and call.

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Edward Elgar, left, the composer who became a cult, and Sir Adrian Bould who did so much to promote his music

As I left church the other Sunday, a neighbour smiled and said she was still in a haze from the celebration in Hereford Cathedral to mark the fiftieth anniversary of Elgar's death. Memories of that composer run deep in the Herefordshire-Worcestershire countryside. The widow of his organist lives in the neighbour-hood; he is supposed to have visited our house, and he had, we were told, a reputation for pinching the maids.

I don't think anyone in the postwar period could have predicted the enormous resurgence of interest in his music that was to occur in the 1970s, or that he was to emerge as such a cult figure. For, like so many people in the arts, Elgar the person, the reality, is so different from Elgar the myth, the idea. In the long run it is the latter which matters, for he now occupies an unassailable position in our national musical mythology akin to that of Handel.

student at the Royal College of Art, did the outline and designs for a ballet based on the Enigma Vari-ations. Sir Hugh Casson arranged for these to be left at the stage-door of the Royal Opera House to be seen by Dame Ninette de Valois. Six months later she collected them, not thinking that they had been seen by anyone until more than a decade later, Sir Frederick Ashton telephoned her to say that the time was right to do the ballet. This, in itself a romantic story, was accompanied by the comment that in the mid-1950s the pendulum had not swung in that direction. The triumphant reception of the masterpiece in 1968 inaugurated the upward curve of the Elgar graph. In the same year Michael Kennedy published his biography.

At first glance it is odd that as the swinging 1960s entered their apogee this should be so. In retrospect, however it is hardly surprising. Although there had been a post-war neo-Edwardian revival in men's clothes and interior decoration, it not extended beyon that. One thinks of Norman Parkinson's photograph of three dandies in their curled bowlers and velvet-collared coats. With that we were at the tail end of something which could be put back. The Edwardian cult of the 1970s in contrast was never a style. It was nostalgia for what had become a

vanished arcadia of peace and security before the First World War. The fact that the ballet still figures in the reportoire after 15 years is an index of the continuing potency of the image.

The revival of interest in Elgar runs like a flood through the 1970s, even leading to performances of his music abroad. Sir Adrian Boult's memorable appearances to conduct in his eighties, were almost exclusively devoted to Elgar. The graph runs parallel with the obsession for the Edwardian age which, as the decade progressed, reached a crescendo in the gloom-laden years after 1974. It was a period marked by the rediscovery of life in the Edwardian control to the Edward country house, the film The Go-Between, Edwardian costume serials on television, an endless series of books of photographs depicting Edwardian England and its social life, even the society portraits of Sargent suddenly reexerted their spell. In 1977, there appeared a book In 1952, my wife, who was then a which at any other time would have sunk without trace but sold in millions. The Country Diary of an

Edwardian Lady.

Which brings me back to Elgar, for his music above that by any other, is now locked into this distant, patriotic idyll of pre-1914 sunset splendour. As an index to the change, Edward J. Dent in 1930 accorded only 16 lines to Elgar in a musical history compared to 66 to Parry and 41 to Stanford. He castigated his music as being "too emotional and not quite free from vulgarity. His orchestral works ... are animated in colour but pompous in style and of too deliberate nobility of expression...

That I cannot comment upon, for am no musician. What interests me is the interrelationship of ideas and images that sustain the revival In the 1960s when the promenadors burst into "Land of Hope and Glory" in the midst of Pomp and Circumstance, there was a degree of mocking to the ritual. No one in recent accusation. That is because the references and allusions that his music evokes have changed over the years from being a symbol of imperial, insular, jingoism to Arcadian visions of the serenity of a golden age. Sir Roy Strong is director of the

Victoria and Albert Museum.

#### Paul Jennings

# Ideal – but must we mow the carpet?

year. My nice, post-commuter-rush train is crammed with strangers. The bar has long snaking queue of solemn couples all clutching colour

brochures.
Of course. Ideal Home Exhibition. Must end April 1. Tomorrow. Not before time. The brochures show vast bedrooms with carpets apparently made from Old English sheepdog, bathrooms where everything square and same colour, even loo seat (who has square bottom, for Pete's sake?), kitchens with lots of empty shining flat surfaces on one of which slim smiling model is preparing meal apparently from two carrots, one green pepper and a

small slice Camembert.

No wonder she slim, but will husband smile when he come home and they sit down to eat on glass chairs at glass table? (Don't be silly.

Husband? These days?)
Nothing against Ideal Home as such, except lurking fear would have to mow and roll bedroom carpet once a month. But how do they keep

How (for instance) they keep all those flat surfaces clear in kitchen? in our house no empty flat surface anywhere, especially in kitchen. All covered with old magazines, halves of cameras, bottle with three deadlooking olives, cheese with bowl upside-down over it to keep cats off, odd socks kept there in hope matching ones will turn up magically some day, spike with bills up to Oct 1980, bits of old mincer (not throw away, other bits about somewhere, perhaps in tool draw where - good Lord, here is little screwdriver, stuck to emery paper with pink paint (it supposed to live in fuse-cupboard), radio which will only go when lying on side . . .

While couples are leafing, wordiessly or low-murmuring, through brochures, reflect that whenever have been self to exhibition, have never seen furniture, carpets, etc that wanted, but could suggest many things that would surely make own home fractionally near ideal for

Always the same around this time of Brass Magnet. That is, magnet which would attract brass and other non-ferrous metal from which wretched little screws, always falling. out of complicated electic plugs, are made.

Instant Infra-red Football Shirt,

Gym Things etc Drier. Answer to panic am dialogue, "It's football today, where's my shirt?" "Why didn't you tell me last night, it's still wet." Would dry the perishing thing in five seconds. Automatic Tap Turner-back My

family either weak-wristed or just forgetful; anyway always finding hot water has dribbled away at night. But don't want taps you actually have to hold down against powerful spring, like the ones in train loos. These would have built-in spring. wind-back of some sort.

Phone Howler. No use asking Telecom for this, they want teenager to gas away for hours. But it surely not beyond wit of British electronic wizards to invent something you can hide in room, activated by dialling. it let out fearful screech after pre-set time. I'd settle for ten minutes, you mustn't think I'm mean.

Rising Bed. Switch it on when you first call teenager. After you been yelling from downstairs for quarter of hour top half folds up to vertical, after five more minutes whole thing tips on to side. In fact wouldn't mind bed like that for self, let alone

Bleep Tool Kit. Would compel anyone who took pliers, gimlet, small screwdriver etc, to return it to proper place, because it would bleep until they did. Have actually seen ads for golf balls that bleep when lost in long grass. Why not for little screwdrivers, of which have bought 97 since married?

Ideal Home Exhibition Perpetual Calendar Reminder. So that can remember to get different train, like Ol' George and Ol' Cyril (if they are here, can't see them in crush). No, no. what am saying? So that can remember to go next time of course, see if any ideas like these taken up.

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### ART ON A BROADER CANVAS

Poets are licensed to juggle with ambiguity, but administrators, significance is unassailable.

a tension between its objectives of promoting the best and even in the purlieus of the arts. risk being misunderstood if they attempt the many-layered approach. To avoid confusion, let it be well understood that the Arts Council's latest report "The Glory of the Garden" is not, as readers familiar with some of its recent predecessors might well assume from the title, a sumptuous publication with a fullcolour depiction of our principal national shrife of opera on the cover. Sir William Rees-Mogg's Garden is not that Garden at all. and indeed a certain pursing of the lips in the document when the latter is mentioned shows that he considers it to have got off more lightly this year, through the favour of the Government than he himself might have wished. The true reference, quoted by Bernard Levin opposite, is of very different import.

The format of Arts Council reports has always been a subtle indicator of morale. Until re-cently they resembled the glittering catalogues of major Hayward Gallery exhibitions or the programmes of distinguished re-gional music festivals; in the lifties they tended to be small and matt, printed in one colour, but enlivened with abstract designs expressive of hope. Modest or sumptuous, their titles always expressed a sense of financial insecurity: "Arts in the Red": "The Struggle for Survival" or "The Arts in Hard Times" (perhaps the most sumptuous of all). The present publication is different on all counts: it has the studied drabness that sometimes goes with confidence: it resembles the company report of a small but very well-based provincial brewery, or the official guide to a ruined abbey of which very few

It is one of the most remarkable paradoxes of the Thatcher era that the Arts Council has arrived at a point where it can afford not to be twitchy or selfassertive about its stock-in-trade. For most of its history there has been an underlying anxiety about the claims of the arts to public subsidy - to their status with hospital beds and pensions as part of the welfare state. But now, when the welfare state itself is acutely under question, the argument over the arts seems (at least temporarily) to have been won. At its most monetarist phase, the perceived party of the Philistines has accepted the case forcefully made out by a parlia-mentary report in 1982 and the Priestley report last year that the arts are respectable after all earners of dollars, providers of employment, meeting (at mini-mal cost in relative public expenditure terms) a widespread and strongly-felt public demand.

Since a large part of the value of the arts in entertaining and stimulating the public derives from its propensity to feuds and follies, it is reassuring that the new subfuse of the report conceals only imperfectly an intense scene of infighting. Widely accused of seeking the powers of a Stalinist Minister of Culture, Sir William has failed by a long way to achieve all he sought. He has failed to shift more than a mere five per cent more of the Council's expenditure from London to the provinces, and he has failed to get off his hands those metropolitan clients like the Hayward Gallery and the Royal Court which have proved capable of mounting so ferocious a defensive lobby in recent weeks

One need not regret this failure altogether. The Council has from the start been aware of hurried.

of promoting the best and promoting accessibility. In some parts of the country, arts subsidy per head is only one-ninth of what Londoners enjoy. The example of Germany is often reproachfully mentioned, where every major provincial centre sustains the arts in their most rarified and expensive ex-pressions, and where diversity of patronage makes for vitality.

This degree of regional pride is certainly something to be wished for in Britain, and something that the Council should promote. It has indeed done so from the start. Covent Garden and the London Coliseum together absorb 17 per cent of the Council's budget, and it may well be argued that in principle this is too much. But in 1956, when the first of the Regional Arts Associations was founded, the same organizations were taking well over half the total.

There are natural constraints on the pace of redressing the imbalance between London and the provinces. Germany has a tradition of independent princedoms, while the British have looked towards London as a centre for centuries. It would be unwise to wind London down abruptly, threatening valuable living traditions that cannot easily be rebuilt. And though the Government appears to have accepted the case for protecting the regional arts from the effects of the abolition of metropolitan councils, the political situation in local government is too highly charged and too uncertain at present to inject into it too many extra contentions about arts support. The movement is in the right direction; the pace has rightly been accelerated; but the best gardeners know that the due time and season for successful replanting cannot be

#### HAVOC, BUT NOT YET ANARCHY

In eight and a half hours on Thursday Liverpool city council failed completely to order its financial affairs. Who would not now cry a plague on all three of the party's local houses, their petty squabbling, procedural trickery, and rhetoric more suited to a provincial Russian soviet than a chamber which once listed the Gladstones among its ornaments? By contrast, television offered the sight of Mr Jenkin, stolid as ever, promising firm central authority. Standing in the wings, he hinted, still at some distance from the stage, is a civil servant with a commission to stop the vagaries of local administration causing financial jeopardy.

That municipal services could be run or rates levied by an appointee of central government is not at issue. The ranks of uniformed Merseyside constables guarding the town hall the other day would turn out again if need be. Municipal employees have no great love for elected politicians; besides, they are likely to value their pay cheques more than calls to solidarity from Mr Derek Hatton. Yet the suspension of local elected government, necessary though it might become in Liverpool, should be anticipated by no one. For those disturbed by the untidiness of local politics, its promise of administrative rationality is a delusion. For all concerned with the ability of the British to govern them-

irrecoverable defeat.

For the failure of local representative self-government damages the polity as a whole. Accretion of power to the centre is rarely reversed; a Liverpoolmight multiply. And it is delusion to think that he would bring the end of untidy politics.

Thankfully, local politics in Liverpool is not exhausted: messy compromise could still save the city from the unflinching revolutionaries of Labour's left. Next week's financial dislocation should not be underestimated; nor should the difficulties of Liberal, Conservative and moderate Labour councillors in reaching an accord. Yet were there to be an emergency council meeting within a fortnight, a budget could be drafted by the minorities. In this Mr Jenkin could surely help. Since 1981 Liverpool has, rightly, been the focus of an array of programmes concerned with ameliorating a blighted urban landscape. These are relatively flexible; already Mr Jenkin adjusts the expenditure of the council on "partnership projects" so that some payments do not count for

the city's financial control target. Mr Jenkin has said he can do nothing singular. But there is regional discretion in other ministerial briefs, notably through the Manpower Services

selves, even in the extremities of sides, including the Govern-Merseyside, it would be an ment, have a stake in seeing politics working again.

Labour could, it appears, block an emergency budget meeting. Mr Hatton wishes to save his class-war appeals for the clections in a month's time. commissioner would stay and Whether action in the courts could force Labour's hand before then is open to doubt. The District Auditor might have an uphill task in convincing a High Court judge of the unreasonableness of the (whole) council's delay in making a rate: the auditor shows no sign yet of rushing for judgment. Other options are covered by the deep waters of finance legislation framed for the converse of Liverpool's position - for councils which have made a questionable rate, not for councils which,

questionably, have made no rate. The verdict of Liverpudlians at the polls in May takes on symbolic weight. A strengthening of Mr Hatton's hand - if Labour won extra seats - could push the city from its present disarray into overt law-breaking. At that point there will be demands, some from within Liverpool itself, for the imposition of central authority. Yet the self-checking mechanisms of auditors and courts will have something on which to bite. And then, as now, there will be the strongest of cases for caution on the part of government ministers, for faith in the local Commission. In the weeks political process, for tolerance of before the May elections all municipal marathons.

#### STONES THROWN FROM A GLASS HOUSE

It is a matter of justifiable pride that the rights of the individual are so stalwartly defended in the British media. But this self-satisfaction should not blind us to the criticisms of our foreign colleagues. The Izvestiya correspondent in London cites a British miner's warning that "England is turning into a police state" and describes for his readers how the police delayed a convoy of miners' cars driving down a motorway to the Nottingham-shire pits. Moscow Radio interviewed the leader of the Soviet Miners' Union, Mikhail Srebny. who wished the men "having to take part in pickets and fight for their rights every success in their

Soviet miners enjoy higher wages than other workers in the USSR, but they would still be impressed to learn that striking miners in Britain have their own cars to drive from picket to picket. Soviet workers are not allowed to strike or to move around the country to demonstrate against government policy.
When the Donbass miner Vladimir Klebanov tried to form a genuine trade union independent of the regime, he was incarcerated in a psychiatric hospital. Last year Lev Volokhonsky was sentenced to five years' hard labour plus four years' internal exile for circulating the Infor-mation Bulletin of the free tradeunion movement.

Yet the Soviet media strongly deplored "the reprisal of the British courts against Sarah Tisdall, an active participant in the struggle for peace and former employee at the British Foreign Office". Of course the very fact that someone who leaked documents relating to the state's missile defences was merely "thrown behind bars for six months" would seem to Soviet citizens an example of extraordinary judicial leniency. And for an editor to be able to publish such a document without being arrested must seem an even more amazing demonstration of political liberty.

In Kiev on 13 March Valery Marchenko was sentenced to ten years' hard labour plus five years' internal exile for writing articles critical of the Soviet regime - for which he might have been forgiven since he was at the time already in prison for his beliefs. Smuggled from the camp, his statements were published in the West. During his trial - postponed from the previous day because of his poor health - he declared that he had always tried to do what was right and would continue to speak out against the faults of the Soviet

system. The USSR Constitution allows freedom of speech and of the moribund society of the USSR press, but only "in accordance can still learn much of value with the interests of the people here.

and in order to strengthen and develop the socialist system" and it is of course the top party leaders who determine what precisely are the "interests of the people". Last February the laws on anti-Soviet agitation and propaganda were extended to cover not only preparing, disseminating and keeping anti-Soviet literature, but also any suspect materials "in written, printed or other forms". The punishments for such "crimes" were increased.

A new article was introduced banning the passing on to a foreign country of "information that constitutes a professional secret", no matter how the information is acquired. Telling tourists or Western correspondents about meat rationing in the provinces could therefore result in a stiff sentence.

That citizens should be guided in their actions by their consciences is an essential part of democracy, but it is equally to be expected that society impose limits on the freedom of the individual when the exercise of that freedom infringes\_on the welfare of others. Deciding where these limits lie can only be possible with unrestricted public debate, which the Tisdall case has shown to be alive and well in Britain. The media and the

#### Taiwan status' for Hongkong

From Mr Roderick MacFarguhan Sir. If the historic decision of Jardine, Matheson to move its legal base from Hongkong to Bermuda (report, March 29) is not to trigger other transfers and a precipitate slump in confidence, the Foreign Secretary has to tell the Chinese on his forthcoming visit that Hongkong needs to be granted "Taiwan status" as a guarantee of the post-colonial

The Chinese Premier has promised Taiwan that, after reunification, Peking would send no representa-tives, administrators, or soldiers to the island and would impose no taxes or levies; the island regime would run the place as it does today.

Hongkong should be given the same treatment minus the British Raj. Much has apparently been conceded, but the problem of

representation remains. Concretely, this would mean the withdrawal from Hongkong of the high-ranking official who heads the official Chinese news agency establishment, together with most of his staff. Already the present incumbent is seen as a shadow Governor and after 1997 he will be more powerful than the old British Resident in Indian princely states.

The Bank of China branch should also be reduced in status if not in function. The Communist Party would have to treat Hongkong as a "no-go" area on the understanding Taiwan's Nationalist Party would be prohibited.
Taiwan status for Hongkong

should not only reassure the colony: it would also give Peking the opportunity of using the "Hongkong model" to demonstrate to Taiwan how painless reunification would be. Yours faithfully, RODERICK MACFARQUAR.

55 Campden Hill Road, W8.

#### Eritrean struggle

From Mr Winston S. Churchill, MP for Davyhulme (Conservative). Sir, You are to be congratulated on your editorial, "A blind eye in Africa" (March 14), drawing attention to the plight of the people of Eritrea who are still carrying on their 21-year-old struggle for indepen-dence from Ethiopia with which against the wishes of its people - it was incorporated in consequence of the action of the United Nations.

It is utterly shameful the way in which the world organization has resolutely refused to reconsider its hasty and wrongful decision, taken in defiance of the principles of the UN Charter itself. In consequence of this and of the epotession by Ethiopia in recent years supported by Cuban troops and other Soviet to keep a person in custody "to block "military advisers", more than facilitate the investigation", may 150,000 Eritreans are estimated to order the forfeiture of his property have been slaughtered in the conflict and a further half-million driven

A similar fate has attended the Somali peoples of the Ogaden, who were also, against their wishes. handed over to Ethiopia again: tens of thousands have died in the conflict and well over 1.4 million forced to flee to Somalia proper from their traditional grazing lands.

How many more lives have to be needlessly sacrificed, how many more millions forced to flee as refugees, before the United Nations and indeed the OAU recognise that it is wholly inadequate merely to minister to an ever-growing refugee population, but that the time has come for the problem to be tackled at its roots by recognizing the rights to self-determination of those who, without consultation and against their wishes, were forcibly included within the confines of the Ethiopian Empire, which the Soviet Union is using as the principal base for its military and strategic domination of the Horn of Africa, regardless of the cost in terms of loss of life and human misery? Yours faithfully,

WINSTON S. CHURCHILL, House of Commons. March 23.

#### Chiswick green

From the Secretary of The Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings

Sir, John Harris (March 24) rightly draws attention to the deplorable record of the Property Services Agency in caring for some of the country's finest buildings and wonders how much will change with the arrival of the Historic Buildings and Monuments Commission next

Of course one cannot condemn the commission before it has even started work. But there are already some worrying hints that it may be diffident about making full use of its new freedom to challenge, where ecessary, the Government department from which it has emerged and on which it will depend for grant

This contrasts sharply with the Manpower Services Commission, which was set up in a broadly similar manner 10 years ago to take over many of the responsibilities of the Department of Employment. Right from the outset it threw away a cramped Civil Service mentality, took risks and made its criticisms loudly and publicly. Some saw it as unnecessarily abrasive, but it achieved much in a remarkably short time.

On some issues, such as the commercialization of sites and monuments, caution by the HBMC may be no bad thing. But a new body that chooses not to become a vigorous, authoritative and independent voice for the country's heritage loses much of its justification.

Yours sincerely.
PHILIP VENNING, Secretary. The Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings. 37 Spital Square, E1. March 24.

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### Needs and choices in social context

From Mr Geoffrey Sampson Sir. Professor Denbigh's defence of public spending (March 28) confuses a number of entirely separate issues.

On one hand he points out that there are certain goods and services which by their nature can only be supplied publicly rather than via the market. Litter-free streets and development control in the countryside might come under this heading; but several other things he mentions manifestly do not; for instance, there is no reason why the provision of lending libraries or theatres should not be controlled by market forces; if proved impossible to run any ibrary or unsubsidized theatre at a profit (which is scarcely credible) that would simply show that people have higher priorities for the use of

limited resources.

Then there is the altruistic argument that public spending gives poor people access to things like medical services which they might not be able to afford if they were provided through the market. But this surely is an argument for redistributing money to poor people and letting them buy what they need, rather than arranging for the state, paternalistically and inefficiently, to provide them with benefits in kind.

In any case, plenty of research has shown that the middle classes get a better "deal" out of the NHS and many other components of the welfare state than do the poor. (Surely the average patron of a statesubsidised theatre would be better able to afford an unsubsidized ticket than the average taxpayer, who is forced to pay for the subsidy?)

Finally, it is nice to know that Professor Denbigh is "pleased" to pay for the current level of public spending, but what response would he make to those of us who would rather have the money than the state welfare and pay our taxes with angry reluctance? Yours faithfully,

GEOFFREY SAMPSON, Richmond House, Ingleton, Yorkshire, via Carnforth, Lancashire.

#### Ghana's economic ills

From Mr Eugene Cotran Sir, Lord Gifford (March 21) refers to Ghana's new "institutions which are trying to deal with the corrupt

practices of Ghana's wealthy citizens and companies". He gives the Citizens' Vetting Committee as an example of such "institutions" and Ghana's barristers as the "citizens" allegedly found by the committee not to have paid taxes for years.
What Lord Gifford does not say is

that under the Citizens' Vetting Committee Law (PNDC Law no 1, of 1982), the committee has power to the state, and it shall "not be lawful for any court to entertain any action or proceedings whatsoever for the purpose of questioning any decision, finding, order or proceedings of the committee."

Lord Gifford might have given another example, namely, the institution of "public tribunals", which have, in regard to the trial of criminal offences, virtually replaced the long-established regular courts of Ghana and its system of criminal justice, once the envy of the whole of Africa.

Ghana's barristers, the "tax evaders", according to the formidable Citizens' Vetting Committee, have boycotted these public tribunals from whose decisions (which includes the death sentence) no appeal or judicial review of any kind It is plain that the "corrupt and

CHRISTOPHER MAYHEW, House of Lords. March 23. Dinh Diem. Thuc had the doubtful

future.

Yours etc.

#### Medieval penalty From Mr Endre Somien

Sir, Your Religious Affairs Correspondent states in his article, "Revival of medieval penalty" (March 22), that the last excommunication in the Roman Catholic Church "appears to have involved a person in one of the southern states the United States in the 1960s . . . " Your excellent Library, of which I

am a great admirer and occasional user, will, no doubt, confirm that there have been at least 13 excommunications from the Catholic Church since the end of the sixties. The last reported one was in May, 1983, when the entire congregation of the S Dofano parish in the diocese of Siena was excommuni-cated for heresy by the Vatican.

The last prelate to be excommunicated was Monsignor Pierre Martin Ngo Dinh Thuc, brother of the late South Vietnamese President, Ngo

distinction of having been excom-municated twice: once in 1976 for municated twice once in 1976 for unlawfully ordaining bishops and, after being "partially rehabilitated by Pope VI, he was again excommunicated in April, 1983, for yet another bout of "unlawful episcopal another bout of "unlawful episcopal". ordinations" in Spain, The excommunication of two

Italian writers in 1973 for using tape-recorded talks with Catholic priests in their book, Sex in the Confessional, was widely reported and commented on in the world

I hasten to say that I am far less knowledgeable on Church affairs than your Correspondent but have had his facts routinely checked against our own Library's modest records before filing the article for further reference. Yours faithfully.

lor, in his zeal to remove anomalies

from the tax and duty structure, had

would have removed these anoma-lies and would benefit all privately

owned residential accommodation,

would have been the removal of

VAT on building repairs. Relief would have been brought in particular to the hard-pressed private landlord, who forms perhaps

the only sector of residential housing

which is not favoured either by tax relief or by public subsidy. This relief to the private-sector

removal of mortgage tax relief on the higher bands of income tax.

CHRISTOPHER McLAREN.

Chairman, Health and Housing

The Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea,
Town Hall, Kensington, W8.

Yours faithfully,

An alternative approach which

ENDRE SOMJEN, Reuters Limited

not done this.

#### VAT on building From Councillor C. M. McLaren

Sir. The logic of the second paragraph of Lord Rosebery's letter on VAT distortions in building (March 20) leads to the conclusion that anomalies and distortions between different classes of building works would only be removed if VAT were imposed on new building work as well as on improvements and on repairs. Indeed I would not have been surprised if the Chancel-

#### Running battle From Mr A. W. Ramsay

Sir, I cannot be alone in feeling a sense of shame about 17-year-old Miss Zola Budd being forced to take out British nationality and quit her country of birth in order to be able to run against her peers. Sportsmen and women compete against each other, they do not run against Yours faithfully,

ANDREW RAMSAY, Etna House, 350 Kennington Road, SE11. Sir, There must be many for whom Professor Denbigh speaks in asking whether — or should it not be "why"? — your "central philosophical conviction" takes no account of the needs which can be met only by public institutions, i.e., by "collectivity" estion Longley's speculative zeal (feature, March 28) if I explain, without breaking any confidences, why the process of appointing diocesan bishops takes longer in some cases then in other than in others.

You have gone so far (leader, March 23) as 10 resurrect the Victorian, A. V. Dicey. True, he was unhappy about the trend towards collectivism in his time, but he did at least recognize "the interdependence of all human interests" and could find no such central philosophical conviction in his study of development of government activity as plagues us today from both extremes of the political spectrum.

From Professor Maurice Bruce

"Legislative opinion", he con-cluded, "is more often the result of facts than of philosophical speculations" and to a considerable extent this has remained the case, to the disappointment of political extrem-

You quote, with evident approval, Dicey's "State help kills self-help", but need we be influenced by a long-dead critic, however notable in his day, who had reservations even about legislation against the adulteration of food, who confused unemployment insurance with the droit de travail of 1848 in France, and who stigmatized old-age pen-sions as "nothing but a new form of out-relief for the poor" (my italics)? In any case, where is the evidence for the killing, except in philosophi-cal speculation, in Dicey's day and

As Professor Ginsberg wrote, some years ago, anticipating Pro-fessor Denbigh, the issue is a practical one, turning upon "what can best be done by individuals...and what things of importance would remain undone if the state did not do them". Yours faithfully, MAURICE BRUCE, 22 Chorley Drive,

and Ghana's economic ills are no

Ghanaians for the restoration of

"freedom and justice", a stand to which your editorial of March 7

2 Paper Buildings, Temple, EC4.

Sir. Lord Carver is right (March 23). The single-Service Chiefs of Staff

must be in a position to assess all

the factors affecting the efficiency of

their Service and to present their

conclusions effectively to the CDS

This has not been the case even before Mr Heseltine's reforms. In

the sixties, when the Navy objected

that it could not maintain our East

of Suez role without aircraft carriers.

it was steamrollered by less well

informed opinion at the centre. Mr

Heseltine's reforms will increase the

possibility of similar blunders in

Defects in defence

(Chief of the Defence Staff).

rightly refers.

Yours faithfully,

EUGENE COTRAN,

From Lord Mayhew

Sheffield. Yours faithfully, March 29. JOHN EBOR:, shopthorpe, York. greedy" practices of Ghana's citizens March 29. (which are surely not confined to the wealthy, as Lord Gifford suggests)

Going solo From Dr L. E. C. Ormerod going to be eliminated by the kind of institutions set up by the PNDC Government. Indeed, it is these very Sir, On a day when London was without public transport my bicycleinstitutions, often composed of conducted survey showed 42 per legally unqualified people, that have cent of cars still to have only one resulted in complete disrespect for occupant, a measure of how unpleasant we, as a nation, find and disintegration of the rule of law in Ghana and the anguished cry by enforced fraternization.

Filling the room

From the Archbishop of York

Sir. It may help to curb Clifford

The first step, involving the collection of information about the diocese in question and consultation

with a wide variety of local people

may take two or three months. It

obviously cannot start until the

vacancy has been announced and this is likely to occur earlie. See a retiring bishop has declared his intention to resign well in advance

than if the vacancy occurs through

death or translation.

The information thus collected

goes to the Crown Appointments Commission, whose pattern of meetings may be fixed up to a year

in advance. Only one diocese can be

considered at each of its meetings, since the four diocesan representa-

tives on each commission are drawn

from the diocese under consider-

ation, it may happen, therefore, that if two dioceses fall vacant at roughly the same time, one of them has to

wait in the queue for the next

sends two names to the Prime

Minister, she may have her own timetable for dealing with the matter

and may wish to make her own

soundings before deciding between

There are thus plenty of oppor-tunities for delay built into the system and speculative interpret-

ations which ignore these belong to

the realm of journalistic fiction. So also do Clifford Longley's remarks

I do not know what prompted his

flight of fancy about hard-to-fill

houses of the Lord, but I am tempted to speculate that there was

a hard-to-fill space on your features

about Auckland Castle.

When the commission eventually

meeting of the commission.

the names.

at the top

If an Englishman's house is his castle, what, then, is his car? Yours faithfully, IAN ORMEROD. Institute of Neurology, University Department of Clinical Neurology. The National Hospital,

#### Spectacular value

March 28.

From Mr Montagu Levy Sir, Mr Bercow's assertion (March 22) that British opticians are exploiting the public does not follow from the simple fact that spectacles

are cheaper in Portugal - so are sardines and hundreds of other commodities. So what? My own calculations are that in an average practice the overhead cost on each pair of speciacles

dispensed is about £8 per pair and the laboratory charge for the very simplest pair of spectacles is about £7. In spite of this and the professional service involved quite well designed spectacles are available in London at about £25 or less. A national health spectacle, for which the public now pay almost the whole cost, except for the sight testing costs about £10. Britain is now among the least expensive places in the world for spectacles

and contact lenses compared to countries with similar economies. I'll bet my last escudo that Mr Bercow (if he is gainfully employed) sells his labour at a cost far higher than do the Portuguese in the Algarve.

Yours faithfully. MONTAGU LEVY, 17 Cumberland Mansions, Brown Street, W1.

#### Voice of experience From Mr Henry G. Button

Sir; You reported on March 26 that Mr Bill Collins believed that his 74 years in the parish church choir at Bussage would make him the longest serving chorister on record in

According to an article on long-service records that you published back in 1955, on August 22 a gentleman named R. Jenner completed 80 years with the choir at Edenbridge and Mr F. Starling completed more than 81 years with the choir at Blofield. So Mr Collinswill have to soldier on for a few more years yet to take the record. Yours faithfully, HENRY G. BUTTON, 7 Amhurst Court, Grange Road, Cambridge.

#### Equal before the law

landlord would help preserve the mobility in accommodation that is From Mr A. E. Stevens Sir, Recently an elderly lady was convicted of causing an obstruction increasingly needed by the flexible patterns and locations of employon a road by driving her car at 15 ment today. Thus it would benefit not only the housing stock of the mph, which was considered too slow. Her penalty was a fine and the country but also employment and loss of her licence.
Can we expect that the numerous ne economy. It could be financed by the

picketing miners who are causing obstructions on the motorways by driving at 2 mph will receive the same penalty? Yours sincerely. 3. Forestdale, Grayshott, Hindhead, Surrey.

March 29.



# **COURT SOCIAL**

#### **COURT** CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE March 30: The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh, attended by Mr Richard Luce, MP (Minister of State, Foreign and Commonwealth Office, Minister-in-Attendance) and Mrs Luce, the Duchess of Grafton, Lady Abel Smith, the Right Hon Sir Philip Moore, Mr Robert Fellowes, Mr Michael Shea, Surgeon Captain Norman Blacklock, RN, Air Vice-Marshal John Severne, Major Hugh Lindsay. Mr Brian McGrath and Deputy Assistant Commissioner Colin Smith, arrived at Heathrow Airport, London this afternoon in a British Airways Tristar aircraft from

Her Majesty and His Royal Highness were received at the Airport by the Lord Maclean (Lord Chamberlain), Mr Colin Marshall (Chief Executive, British Airways) and Mr Michael King (Director, Heathrow Airport, London), The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips and Captain Mark Phillips this evening attended the Mayoral

Her Royal Highness and Captain Mark Phillips were received on arrival at the Town Hall by the Vice-Lord-Liquicnant for Wiltshire (Field Marshal Sir Roland Gibbs) and the Mayor of Chippenham

Forthcoming

Mr. W. Stevens

marriages MrG. R. Holt and Miss J. Gillett The engagement is announced between Gareth, younger son of Mr and Mrs J. T. Holt, of Elm Park Gardens, Chelsea, and Jane, younger daughter of the late Sir Michael Gillett and of Lady Gillett, and Michael Gillett and Caul bourne, Australia. Mr F. R. Verrall and Miss R. S. Margolis

Dr M. I. Archer and Miss S. J. Nornak

of X Wonersh Court. Wonersh,

The engagement is announced between Michael, son of Mr and Mrs R. A. Archer, of Blakeney, Norfolk, and Sophia, elder daughter of Mrs J. M. Norwak and the late Mr J. M. Norwak, of Cley-next-the-Sea, Norfolk,

Mr M.S. Day and Miss M. R. Warburton

The engagement is announced between Martin Spencer, younger son of Mr and Mrs G. A. Day, of Luton, Bedfordshire, and Maria Rose, youngest daughter of Dr and Mrs N. H. Warburton, of Leigh-on-

Mr I. H. Gillespie and Miss P. J. Wray

The engagement is announced between Jan Hugh, elder son of Dr Bernard and Mrx Joan Gillespie, and Penelope Jane, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs M. O. Wray, of East Knoyle, Wiltshire.

and Miss C. Wagstaff

The engagement is announced between Nigel, son of Mr and Mrs Hicks, of Cropredy. Oxfordshire, and Caroline, daughter of Mr and Mrs Wagstaff, of Grassington, North Yorkshire.

Mr A. J. Hutton and Miss P. A. Mallinson

The forthcoming marriage announced between Andrew, son of Mr H. R. Hutton, of Athelington, Suffolk, and Mrs V. J. Hutton, of Peckham, London, and Penelope, daughter of Mr J. P. D. Mailinson, of Chiswick, London, and Mrs M. Nolan, of Littleworth Common,

Mr C. W. Kirk and Miss M. E. Hassall

The engagement is announced between Christopher William. cldest son of Mr W. B. Kirk, of Westeliff-on-Sea, Essex, and Mrs W. A. M. Kirk, of Leigh-on-Sea, Essex, and Maureen Elisabeth, only daughter of Dr Cedric Hassall, of Harpenden, Hertfordshire and Mrs Elisabeth Hassall, of Tewin,

Mr D. W. Lax and Miss A. M. Prentice

The engagement is announced between David William, eldest son of Mr and Mrs F. W. Lax, of Great Wolford, Warwickshire, and Alison Margaret Prentice, of Winchcombo Coloncestershire, only daughter of Professor J. E. and Mrs M. J.

Mr H. A. Pye Miss C. Wilkinson

Miss C. Wilkinson
The engagement is announced between Hugh, younger son of Mrs. Patricia Pyc. of Ramsey, Isle of Man, and the late Mr Harry Pyc, and Caroline, daughter of Mr and Mrs Michael Wilkinson, of Greenwich, Connecticut, United States, and London.

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wealth of species tend to occur

in developing countries, most

Even the learned Fanna Prservation Society, founded

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of them tropical.

climate and geology have beings.

extraordinary

Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary at Conakry) at the State Funeral of His Excellency Monsieur Ahmed Sekou Touré (President of the People's Revolutionary Republic of Guinea which was held in the Grand Mosque. Conakry. today.

THATCHED HOUSE LODGE March 30: Princess Alexandra and the Hon Angus Ogilvy were present this evening at the Royal Air Force Anniversary Concert at the Royal

Lady Mary Fitzalan-Howard was in attendance.

Birthdays

TODAY: Mr Richard Chamberlain, 49: Sir Robert Cockburn, 75: Mr John Fowles, 58: Viscount Furness, 55. Mr Pat Lowry, 64: the Very Rev G. T. H. Reid. 74; Air Commodore Helen Renton. 53; Professor Dame Sherla Sherlock, 66; Canon Charles H. Smyth. 81: Mr David Steel, MP. 46, Lord Trefgame, 43; Commande Clare Vyner. 90: Professor Sir Frederick Warner, 74: Mr Sidney Weighell, 62; the Earl of Westmor-

TOMORROW: Mr Christopher Pishop, 52: Mr Ian Gower, 27; Major-General J. R. C. Hamilton, 78: Sir Paul Hasluck, 79: Sir Nicholas Henderson, 65; Mrss Gaie Johnson Houghton, 43; Baroness McFarlane of Llandaff, 58: Pro-McPariane of Liandari, 58; Profrequently March of Chippenham
(Councillor A. Wheeler).

Mr. Andrew Feilden was in
altendance.

The Queen was represented by
Mr. Peter O'Keefe (Her Majesty's

Mr. J. J. Williams, 36.

and Miss A. Perry
The engagement is announced Wayne Stevens, son of Mr and Mrs David Bell, of Epping, Essex, and Anna, daughter of Mr and Mrs James Perry, of Mel-

The engagement is announced between Edward Robin, younger son of Mrs B. M. Verrall and the late Mr A. E. Verrall, of Kensington, Lundon, and Rachel-Sara, daughter of Mrs S. Trisk and the late Mr W. W. Margolis, of Bayswater, London,

Mr.C. R. Word and Miss A. L. Fuller

The engagement is announced helween Rupert, youngest son of Mr and Mrs J. R. S. Ware, of Dunsfold, Surrey, and Amanda, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs M. B. L. Fuller, of Castle Eaton, Wiltshire.

Mr.J. E. H. Ward and Miss E. D. Hall The engagement is announced

between Jonathan, younger son of Mr Rodney Ward, of Lilingstone Lovell, Buckinghamshire, and Mrs Michael Shirley-Beavan, of Shal-bourne, Wiltshire, and Emma. youngest daughter of Mr David Hall of Lalandusse, France, and Mrs Julian Wellesley, of Tidebrook,

Mr N. S. Waters and Miss T. R. Kenning

The engagement is announced between Nigel, elder son of Mr S. Geoffrey Waters, of Hawkhurst, Kent, and of Mrs Jill Waters, and Tanya, elder daughter of the late Captain Michael Kenning and of Mrs Richard Headley, of Bramshill, Wherewell, Hampshire.

Mr J. H. B. V and Miss S. M. Slade

The engagement is announced between Henry, elder son of Colonel and Mrs J. B. Wilson, of Teston. Kent, and Susan, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs G. B. Slade, of Worminghall, Buckinghamshire.

Mr M. Zand Irani

and Miss A. P. Maguire The engagement is announced between Makram, son of Mr and Mrs Tewfik Zand Irani, of Beirut.

Lebanon, and Anne Patricia. daughter of the late Mr and Mrs John Patrick Maguire, of Man-

Marriages

Mr S. W. Murray Threipland and The Countess of Pembroke.

The Marriage took place in Connecticut. United States, on Friday March 23 1984 between Mr Stuart Wyndham Murray Thresp-land and Claire, Countess of

Mr D. Ben Guira and Miss L. M. Snipper

The marriage took place in London. W9 on Sunday March 11th between Mr Daniel Ben Guira, son of M. and Mme A. Ben Guira, of Paris, and Younger daughter of the late Mr M. insper and of Mrs L. Snipper of Mr O. J. Williams and Miss M. Evans

Mr O. J. Williams and Miss Mary Evans were married at St James Parish Church, St James, Barbados, on Friday March 2nd 1984.

Science report

Obstacles to saving plants in peril

By Tony Samstag

Most of the world's wild crop 80 years to add "and Flora" to and produces abundant food

value to people - are concentheir habitats is likely to take alfalfa; and plants such as the trated in fewer than a dozen even longer to develop in those tamarugo tree of Chile which.

parts of the world where the

most immediately endangered

The tropics are home to 155,000 of the world's estimated total of 250,000 flo-

werng plant species. Provided

for increased yields.

Scientists also have their

eye on the buffalo gourd,

genetic resources - the inherit- its name. The view that it is

able characteristics of plants not so much individual animal

that are of potential or actual species that need saving as

But the regions where beasts are hungry human

The launching by the Duke that scientists can identify and

of Edinburgh this month of a analyze them in time, there is

World Wildlife Fund cam- certainly scope for putting the

plants is therefore unlikely to The fund has described a

amount to much unless the species of perennial maize

fund's fieldworkers can con- discovered in a remote Mexi-

vince their host governments can forest as "the botanical

in Central and South America, find of the century" because of

South-east Asia and Africa its resistance to cold, damp

in 1903, took the better part of which can live up to 40 years

that it is in their own interests and disease and its potential

paign to save threatened fund's conservation case.

### Sermons in stones at the courts of justice |OBITUARY One hundred years ago a porch the central position being

topic which, in artistic as well as occupied by Christ. He, accordlegal circles, aroused lively discussion was the opening, after long delays, of the new Royal Courts of Justice. A site of five acres on the north side of the Strand had been secured for the building and the architect appointed, in 1868, was George Edmund Street, then at the

height of his powers. Street had, of course, like all public building of dignity and ever august. importance could possible be constructed.

with a central hall, 238 feet throne had been. "Give they long, approached by an elabor- servant an understanding heart ate archway richly adorned with to judge thy people". The figure flowers and foliage heartening on Christ's left is another reminders of the Creator's sovereign, King Alfred the beneficent handiwork. Set amidst the abundance of natu- included a knowledge of legal ral forms, in Street's scheme of history decoration, man find their Meanwhile, on the northern ordered place while, reflecting face of the law courts, beneath

The Lord Mayor of Belfast, Mr Alfred Ferguson,

inspecting men of The Queen's Regiment yesterday after

giving them the freedore of the city. Three battalions are

on a four-month tour of Northern Ireland.

Arab-British Chamber gomeryshire Society was held at the of Commerce

Sir Richard Beaumont, chairman, and Mr Abdul Karim Al-Mudairs, Powys, proposed the toast to the

secretary-general of the Arab-British society, to which Mr Henry R. Chamber of Commerce, gave a Owen, President, replied. Other luncheon in honour of Lord speakers included Mrs Pauline

Carrington at the Churchill Hotel, Phillips and Mr Alun Richards, London, WI, on Tuesday, March president-elect. 27, 1984.

Mr Nicholas Edwards. Secretary of lan Balfour-Paul proposed the toasi

Were hosts at a reception held at the Welsh Office. Cardiff, yesterday to governors, and Mr David Spawforth, Headmaster of Merchiston Castle vear of the United World College of School, Edinburgh.

Luncheon

Receptions

the Atlantic. St Donats, South Glamorgan, Those present included the chairman of the college governors and Lady Whitaker, the

governors and Lady wintaker, the headmaster and Mrs A. C. Stuart, college governors, members of staff and students and representatives of

education and industry and public life in Wales.

The Judge Advocate General, Mr J. G. Morgan-Owen, QC, and mem-

bers of his staff gave a reception and

buffet supper in the Middle Temple

Hall vesterday evening. Among the

riall vestericaly evening. Among the guests were:
Mrs Morgan Owen: the Admiant Comeral and Lady Cooper, Major-General Sur Devid and Lady Hughes Morgan, Major-General and Mrs J N S Arthur. Major-General and Mrs J F Bowman. Air Vice-Marshall and Mrs G N Forman. Master Thompson, QC, and Mrs Can Major-General and Mrs G M

The Lord Mayor, accompanied by the Sheriffs and their ladies, were

entertained by Sir Kenneth Newton.

Master of the Feltmakers' Com-

pany, and Lady Newton, and the Wardens and their ladies, at a ladies dinner held at the Mansion

House last night. Among those

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The High Commissioner for New Zealand and Mrs Young. Yiscount Cheese the High Commissioner for New Zealand and Mrs Young. Yiscount Cheese the High Colliver and Lady Devisions. The High and Lady Wontiner. Major General Sir Philip and Lady Ward. He High Shemit of Bedfordshire and Mrs Farmbrough, the President of the British Headwear president of the British Headwear president electrof the Society of Yorn the President electrof the Society of Yorn and Mrs Richard Tyderman, the Master of the Tallow Chandlers' Company and the Master of the Company of Makers of Playing Cards and the Master of the Could of Air Pilots and Air Navigators and their Islae.

protein and oil in extremely

arid lands: salt-tolerable varieties of wheat, rice and

American scientists claim can

enable sheep to thrive in the

Such species are obviously

most unlikely environments.

of great potential value in situ

or as shared resources between

one developing country and

another; far more so than, say,

the wild rosy periwinkle of Madagascar, of great import-

ance to the West as the basis

for drugs to treat leukaemia or

the jojoba nut, described in

recent years as the plant kingdom's answer to the

philosopher's stone but so far

most in evidence as a shampoo

The developing world's perception of a western "gene imperialism" is likely to be a

great obstacle to the campaign.

Judge Advocate General

**Dinners** 

Feltmakers' Company

HM Government

Arab-British Chamber

Montgomeryshire Society

Merchiston Castle School

Company of Weavers, Fullers

The Master, Wardens and Court of

Assistants of the Company of

Weavers, Fullers and Shearmen of Exeter held a dinner at Tuckers

Hall Exeter, last night in honour of the Master of the Clothworkers

Company. Mr James Westoll, and the Upper Bailiff of the Weavers'

Company, Mr Stephen D. Graves. The Master, Mr E. S. Dowell

Ancient Monuments Board for

A farewell dinner for the Ancient Monuments Board for England was

held at Apsley House. Piccadilly, vesterday. Sir Arthur Drew, chair-man of the Board, presided.

Service dinners

HMS Cambria

Mr R. Culver

Royal Naval College, Greenwich

A ladies' guest night dinner was held at the Royal Naval College.

Greenwich, yesterday. Commander A. H. F. Wilks presided and Lieutenant-Commander D. J. Codd

responded on behalf of the ladies.

On relinquishing command. Cap-tain N. Lloyd-Edwards. RNR, gave a dinner party on board HMS Cambria last night which was

attended by former commanding officers, his successor, and senior

colleagues. The guests included:

Memorial service

A memorial service for Mr Roland Culver was held at St Paul's, Covent

Garden, yesterday. The Rev John

Arrowsmith officiated, assisted by the Rev Basil Wilks. Mr Robin Culver, son, read John Donne's "Death", Mr James Mill read from

Tennyson's "Crossing the Bar", Mrs Lucinda Culver, daughter-in-law, read from An Autobiography by

Anthony Trollope, and Mr Michael

Culver, son, read an extract from T.
S. Eliot's "Little Gidding". Mr
Hugh S. Roberton sang "All in the
April Evening". Mr Harold French
gave an address. The Actors Centre
Choir Directed by Mr Ian Macpher-

son also took part. Among those

son also took part. Among those present were:
Mrs Culver (widow). Mr Roderk and Mr Justin Culver (and Mrs Culver Art No. 1986). Mr Alan Culver Ceorge Culver, and Mrs Culver. Mr N Bromley. Mr William Culver.
Lord and Lady McAlpine of Moffat. Sir Basti Bartisti. Bt. Sir John Wood!, Ledy (Stanley) Balkor. Mr Sirwart Bates. QC, Mr Stanley Balkor. Mr Sirwart Bates. QC, Mr Courter No. 1986. Mr Sirvar Bates. Mr Mr Sheridan. Mr John Merivale, Mrs John Mr John Merivale, Mrs John Pudney. Mr and Mrs Robert Morley. Mr Sheridan Mr John Mr Sheridan Mr John Mr Sheridan Mr Sheridan Mr John Mr William Robert Mardy. Mr Sheridan Mr Sheridan Mr Mr Sheridan Mr Sherid

and Shearmen of Exeter

The annual dinner of the Mont-

The London annual dinner of the

Merchistonian Club took place at the Caledonian Club last night, Mr

ing to the Gospel record, had recommended a twofold approach to law and justice as to the other buttresses of society.

"Render unto Caesar the

things that are Caesar's" means that those who enjoy the protection of good order owe to it duties of support. Rights imply obligation, yet that is not the whole story since "to God the other competitors, chosen as are to be rendered the things of the style for his work that "pure God". In other words, the spirit Gothic" which the influence of of man, restlessly searching Ruskin had, in the earnest, mid- after its true homeland, can century years, established as the never remain wholly subject to only fit manner in which a custom and convention, how-

Set in place at Christ's right hand stands King Solomon, and The design of the law courts resembles that of a cathedral prayer on his accession to the whose wide learning

the sign-language of the Middle the coats of arms and other Ages, doves are shown picking emblems of civil authority, at grapes in token that human Moses appears in full promisouls. for their swift-soaring nence, clasping the tablets of the flight, requere to be fed from the Law which, as the old story True Vine.

Law which, as the old story relates, he brought down from Three carved figures stand on Sinai inscribed with the comthy ways that I may know thee". The architecture of the Central Criminal Court

breathes a different spirit from that of the law courts. Working less than 30 years after Street. Edward Mountford took as his model not the medieval cathedral but some Italian palace of the sixteenth century. Amid the slabs of lush, green-veined marble the now fading pictures declare something of the generous Renaissance belief that no subject which has ever fascinated the human mind is to be despised, that, in the fullness of time a sense of order and beauty in knowledge will succeed in uniting what man's ignorance

has divided. But the confidence seems in some sort to have obbed away. The statues above the entrance are no longer persons who have a firm place in history. Rather they are the less distinct figures of allegory, such as a Recording Angel and Truth, grouped in what for Michelangelo was a meaningful array but muddled and lifeless in twentieth-century London. Only the great gilded statue of Justice, towering 200ft above ground, proclaims the significant message that she is. in Cicero's phrase, "mistress and queen of all the virtues".

The newest addition to the law courts, namely the Queen's Building attaches in recent

years, is destitute alike of of allegory. Comfortable and convenient, no doubt, it yet entirely lacks significance of form and seems almost to exult in being plain, ordinary and

down to earth. Should style in architecture be thoughto to reflect a people's aims and imagination, it may be that George Street's involved Gothicism is, after all, of a surer temper than the hesitant essays of a later age. For the message of his high-scoring arches and graceful carving remain some-thing very close to the Gospel precept. The life is more than the raiment".

Amid all the complex detail and minute technically with which Justice must concern herself, she may never forget that she has to do with the soul no less than the body, with the mysterious sweep of changing moods in man or nation, with the frailties as also with the hesitant upward glances of those who do not live by bread alone. When such things fail in remembrance, George Street might declare in parting, the fountain-springs dry up and. with them, "the righteousness that exalteth a nation".

Robert Milburn Former Dean of Worcester and Master of the Temple

the five most expensive items.

### Surge in export of great art works By Geraldine Norman, Sale Room Correspondent

A surge in the number of remains within the traditional important works of art being limit of 20 cases, is a depressing exported from Britain is recorded by the annual report of the Reviewing Committee on the Export of Works of Art. published yesterday. The committee had reviewed about 20 cases a year in the past; in

1983 that figure jumped to 50. The report covering the period from July, 1982, to June, 1983, conveys the anxiety of the committee members. They have broken with bureaucratic processes to send up an alarm signal in advance of their next

The report identifies several reasons for the surge in applications for export licences: the fall of the pound against the dollar, which makes British art works look cheap abroad: recent recent extensions in the com-mittee's scope (allowing them to stop the export of younger and cheaper material than before); and a trend for legatees to prefer selling their inheritance to keeping art works by using available tax exemptions.

The record of the year bought by the National Gallery officially covered, although it for £50.000.

keep it in this country was the "Coronation of the Virgin" by Rottenhammer, also from the Spencer collection, which was

# Icons make a comeback

comeback at Christie's yesterday after a difficult period. A Virgin and Child allowed to rare early icon of the North show through the glittering Russian school of "St George surface, sold for £5,400 (esti-slaying the dragon", surrounded mate £2,500 to £3,500). by small scenes from his life. sold for £16,200 (estimate £15,000 to £18,000).

£18.000). A Moscow "Virgin shaded cloisonné enamel and unsold.

Denstone College

In the recent scholarship examinations for Denstone College the following awards have been offered: Major scholarships: thisty Reade, Brockston's Hall: Cary Johnson. Granville Senior Secondary: Simon Shaw. Cheadle High School. School, Minor acholaration Denter Hunt, Woodleid SI John's Annexet Frills Collier, SI 
John's Preparatory, Albon. 
Exhibitions: Tracy Cloves, Valley County 
Primary, Oakarmoor, Kerri Corcoran, St 
Thomas's, Tean; Enters Priestley, PNEU, 
Ashbourne, Louise Pytills, Blahop Rawle, 
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Annexe!

Services tomorrow: Fourth Sunday

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Thomson.
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Dr M Erract.
HOLY TRINITY, Stoner, St. MC, 8.30: SWT. H.C. 6.30: CHOTH LUCINI D. 11. rev. DT M brind. BUTTY. Sionne St. M.C. 6.30: EUCHATES, 10.30; Comon Roberts (E. 6.30; EUCHATES, 10.30; CHC. 9: Chord Sucharis, 10.30; CHC. 9: Chord Sucharis, 11. Mena Acterna Cortes Municipal Pholosticals, A. Cruren Sanctam Sunai Pholosticals, A. Cruren Sanctam Sunai Pholosticals, A. When Jesus set at meat Octomora, The Rector.

ST. BEIDLES. First Street H.C. 8.30; Charles H. 8.30; Charles H. 8.30; Experiment F. 8.30; Charles H. 8.30;

The icon market made a strong filigree silver oklad, with only the faces and hands of the

A full length icon of St A Greek icon of "The Old Testament Trinity". dating from about 1700, sold for about 1700, sold for £302 (estimate £180 to £260) and a Russian nineteenth-f15,120 (estimate £13,000 to century "Virgin and Child" made £410 (estimate £150 to Vladimirskaya", dating from £180). The sale totalled about 1900, covered with a fine £138,885 with 9 per cent left

Latest wills Mr Piero Sraffa, of Trinity College Cambridge, the economist, fellow of Trinity College and Emeritus Reader in Economics, Cambridge University, left estate in England and Wales valued at £1,587,936 net. After personal bequests and effects he left the residue to Trinity College. Miller, Mr Ernest Bruce, of Seaton. Devon, Lloyds underwriter

£426,216.

Choral E. 6.30. pizinsong. Mag and Nunc dimittis. Taltis Dorian Service. A. O Lord God of Hosts (Purcell). Rev W Boulton; God of Hosts (Purceil). Rev W Boulton: organ volunity.

ST CEOROE'S, Hanover Square: HC.
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ST JAMES, S. Piccadiliy: HC. 8-30: Sung Eucharist. 11. Ep. 6.

ST MARGARET'S. Westminster: Sung Eucharist. 11. Rev J Cartocton Walker.

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6.15. MARYLEBONE Parish Church: HC. 8 and 11: Missa da Requiem (Mozart. Lactrimosa dies illa dobarth Rev C. R. Laving on of the Missay of Healing. Laving on of Hands Missay of Healing. Laving on of Hands Church Duncan. ST MiCHAEL S. Chester Square: HC. 8.15: Family Service. 11. S. Chester Square: HC. 8.15: Family Service. 12. A. Mumford. E. 6.30. Bishes of London.

ST PALL'S. Willow Place. Kinghisteristee: HC. 8 and 9: Solenan Eucharist. 11. FT. R. Rovie. rodyn. ST PAUL'S. Robert Adam Street: HC. 11. Dr K. Nunn: 6.30, Rev G. Cassidy. ST PETER'S Eaton Square: HC, 8.15; Family Mass, 10; Bolemn Mass, 11. Communion Service in D (Leighton); A. Wash Me Thoroughly (Wesley), SIMUN ÆLU I ES, Cholses: HC. 8: MP. Bishop of Landon. EP, 6.30, Rev O. R. Clarke.
ST STEPHEN'S. Gloucester Road: LM. 8. 9:
HM. 11. Messo Basee Graun'). Rev R.
Browner. Stallons of the Cross and
Benediction. 6.
ST VEDAST. Foster Linus: SM. 11. Missa
Raginae Pacis Greekers), Like as we do put
our trust (westey): Rev G. Reddington.

ST COLUMBA'S (Church of Scotland) Port Street: (Baptisma) 11. Very Rev R. L. Small: 6.20, Rev M. A. Catrie. CROWN COURT CHURCH (Church of Scotland, Russiell Street, Covent Carden: 11.15. Rev J. Miller Scotl: HC. 12.20; 6.30, Rev J. Miller Scotl: THE ORATORY, SW7: LM, 7, 8, 9, 10; HM, 11, Kyrie (Bach in Gr. Sancius (Valle, Atmus Del (Bach in B minety LM, 12,30, 4,50, 7; Vespers, 3,50, Lectere Jerusalem

(Viadana). ST ANSELM AND CECILIA, Kingsway SM, II, Miss Brevis in C (Kuntz). Laudah Deminis (Cartes) SM. 11. Missa Brevis in C (Kuntz). Laudah Deminum (Goller).

ST ETHELDRIDA'S, Eby Place (Holbort Circuit: SM. 11. Missa Brevis Sanctolonnin De Deo Glaydin, Gustafe et Vigete (Issae).

THE ASSUMPTION, Warwick 9 (Regent SO, Wit LM, 8, 10; 11 (Suno), Miss of 1651 (Monthoverd), Raivalor mund (Blow), Adoranus Te (Monthoverdi), Eratur hic need (Lamina): LM, Boon, 4, 6, CHURCH OF OUR LADY, SI John's Wood: SM (Latin.), 10.45, Missa La Bassa danza (Issae). (Victoria) ESUIT CHURCH. Farm Street: 7.30 E.50 (0.11 suns Latin Mans). REGENT SQUARE PRESENTERIAN CHURCH (United Reformed). Tavistock Place: 11, M/S, S Rudovsky: 6,30, Dr F ST JOHN'S WOOD DRAWS Reformed Charch (Presbylarian/Congregationalist).

9.30; Rev J Miller.
CENTRAL HALL Westminster: Family service, 11. Rev Dr R J Tudor; 6.30, Dr R J Tudor; 6.30, Dr R J Tudor; WISST LONDON MISSION. Minde Street Methodiel Chigrch, Wi: 11. Rev J Newton; 6.30, Rev M Howcroft.

GIV TEMPLE. Hollson Vieduct; ECI: 11. 6.30, Rev Dr B Johanson.
WESTMINSTER CHAPEL. Buckingham Gain: 11 and 6.30, Rev Dr R T Kendali.

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# **DEREK FRANCIS**

Stage and television actor

Gielgud.

the main part).

Winter Sunlight.

Still at the Vic (1959) he

lamy in Pinero's farce The

Magistrate (Michael Hordern in

In television later, he did

much acclaimed work as the

Deputy Prior, Brother Matthew

in Oh Brother! Jaggers in Great

Expectations and Squeers in

Nickolas Nicklehy, and in such

pieces as Rings on their Fingers.

Bless Me Father, and the recent

In 1982 he returned to

Shakespeare as an assured

Shylock at the Young Vic. and

on tour. At the Theatre Royal,

Stratford East, he played in Gas

Derek Francis was also an

artist and expert pupper maker.

via felt that these and other

stories were tendentious. They

were; but, as most have admitted, they are wholly redcemed by the authenticity of

the material. Copic was not an

intellectual writer, his political

affiliations were sincere and simple, and to read him as a thesis-writer is to read him

Copic's immediate post-war

writing for adults was on the

whole less good, since he was never wholly at case with the

obligatory socialist realist ap-

proach, but he was not at all the

kind of writer who could-subvert this by innovatory

means. Nevertheless, parts of

his four novels have great ment.

especially The Noiseless Gun-

powder (Gluvi barut. 1957), in

which he depicts two fanatic

types of communist, a commis-

sar and a partisan commander.

That was his second novel; the

first, The Eruption (Prolom,

1952) was sprawling and far too

long Later fiction, though fundamentally serious dealt more comically and relaxedly

with the difficulties of rural

Bosnians in adjusting to the

Communist present.

wrongly.

Derek Francis, the actor, who nius to John Neville's Hamlet has died aged 60, was a and in 1958, at the close of the Folio sequence. Griffith, the Londoner who made a con-"honest chronicler" in Henry siderable reputation in the VIII with Edith Evans and John theatre - especially in Shakes-

peare - and on television. Though only in his thirties when he acted at the Old Vic. he appeared, amusingly, as Bulbecame familiar in parts older than his years. Always splendidly reliable, he became known on television to a far wider audience: indeed he had just appeared in a four-part serial, Winter Sunlight, with Elizabeth

Sellars. Born in 1923, he began acting after war service and was particularly prominent at the Old Vic during the complete First Folio cycle in the 1950s. Thus he was an eloquent Agamennon in Tyrone Guthrie's unexpected treatment of Troilus and Cressidu (1956); that year he also played York in and Candles with Doris Hare. Richard II and Leonato in Much Ado About Nothing. artist and expert pupper maker.

During 1957, he played He was married with two among many other parts Polo- daughters.

**BRANKO COPIC** Some critics outside Yugosla-

Branko Copić, the popular Bosnian short-story writer, novelist, dramatist, poet and, perhaps above all, children's author, has died aged 70. according to the Tanjug news

agency.

He was one of the leading contemporary Yogoslav writers in the Serbian language. His output, particularly of children's tales, was immense; at least eighty volumes, some of

them long.

Branko Copić was born on one. The committee considered New Year's Day 1915 at Hasani 16 cases and in only five was an in the Bosanska Krajina Region export licence eventually granted. Those were, however, of Bosnia - a sensationally beautiful and rugged landscape - of poor parents. He spent his childhood there, but moved to Lord Northampton's large

painting of a "Mythological subject" went to the Getty Beigrade at the age of 19 to attend the Beigrade School of Liberal Arts. Museum in California for £1.8m. A copy of the Magna Before the war broke out in Yugoslavia he had already Carta went to the United States established himself as a writer priced at £1.25. A Botticelli of vivid tales of his people: poor, deprived of even the portrait priced at £819,000, Richard Dadd's brilliant Vic-torian fairy picture. "Oberon necessities of life, but courageous, colourful, lively and and Titania", at £573,312 and Guercino's "St Luke Painting the Virgin", which had beproud. Critics, who awarded him two quite important prizes in this pre-war period, praised longed to the Spencer family his capacity for evoking characsince the eighteenth century, at £310,000, all went abroad.

In 1941 Copic joined and fought with Tito's partisans, and from this experience he In contrast, the most expensive treasure for which a national institution successfully created his most famous and best-loved character, Nikoletine obligation to adhere to the party matched an export valuation to Bursac - an enormous primi- line: he found he was able to tive, "backward" young pea-sant, a machine-gunner of without offending the higher warmth and humour, with a officials, since his work was sound-hearted dislike of Nazis. interpreted as "constructive Copic's stories about this criticism". These later stories character, who assumed legend- are witty as well as funny, and ary proportions and became a are distinguished for the mannational folk hero, were col- ner in which they reproduce the lected in 1956 as Adventures of Nikoletine Bursaċ

This was succeeded by further volumes, but un-

fortunately not even a selection he has undoubtedly attained a has been translated into Eng- secure place not only in Serbian but in Yugoslav literature.

#### MGR BRUNO SCOTT-JAMES

The Bishop of Leeds writes: Santa Maria in Trastevere. the age of 77.

Best known for his great acquaintances.

Of a Devonshire family he always had some thing of the to whom he bequeathed his mystique of the Moor about small earthly belongings. him. He was a classical scholar

who died on March 30 at the age of 79, was chairman of Lloyd's of London from 1964 to 1966 and a leading figure in the

He was born on June 10. 904, and educated at Harrow and Brasenose College, Oxford. He became a member of Lloyd's in 1926, joining an underwriting

challenging for the world championship, which at that time was played in America. He had a vicarious success in 1937. won the world title; Milford

assistant at the Marlborough College Rackets Court. On the outbreak of war in 1914, his territorial battalion of the Wiltshire Regiment was sent

In 1919 he was appointed Oueen's Club, where he played Dan Maskell was one of the ball

in 1929 he won the Professional Rackets Champion-ship, but lack of money prevented him from ever

Rear-Admiral Michael South-

produced.

cote Townsend, CB, DSQ, OBE DSC, who died on March 23. was Commander Allied Naval Forces, Northern Area.

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wonderfully rich speech habits of his fellow Bosnians. Copic was a writer who both

entertained and enriched, and

Consequently, as a priest he was Monsignor Bruno Scott- in great demand as a Preacher James, the English Canon of and Counsellor.

His pastoral Rome, died in a Brighton roughly divided between two nursing home on March 16 at remarkable apostolates: one at Walsingham where he established the Slipper Chapel Shrine translation of the Letters of St. opened by Cardinal Bourne in Bernard, a work to be found in 1934. The other was his all libraries. he was also a pastorate in the Bassi of Naples remarkable character with a and the university there, where vast range of friends and he lived in great poverty and was greatly loved by the students and the poor of the city

A charming eccentric of a of some distinction, and one of deep and dynamic spirituality. the founders of the Virgil with a special charisma for Society. In addition he acquired communication with youth, he a great knowledge of the Early will be missed by innumerable Fathers and Patristic writings. friends and acquaintances.

#### MR R. W. STURGE

Mr Raymond Wilson Sturge. agency founded by his father, Arthur Lloyd Sturge, who was himself also chairman of Llavd's

After serving in the Royal Scots Fusiliers in the Second World War Sturge was first elected to the committee of Lloyd's in 1953, and became deputy chairman in 1963. In 1967-68 he was president of the Insurance Institute of London.

practice with Lawrence, whom:

he regarded as one of the finest forehand players the game had

In 1948, on his retirement

from Mariborough College.

#### MR WALTER LAWRENCE

N. F. writes: Mr Walter Lawrence, a leading rackets professional of the inter-war years, died on March 27 at Marlborough. Lawrence was born at Mariborough in 1895. Leaving attributed much of his skill to school at 13, he worked as an practice with Lawrence, whom

to India. Later he saw service in Mesopotamia, where he was mentioned in dispatches, and Russia during the revolution.

College.

Professor David Ross Cousin, who has died at the age of 80, was Professor of Philosophy in the University of Sheffield from 1949 to 1969 and Dean of the

Lawrence became the secretary to Mr (later Sir) Gardon Richards, the champion jockey. who was his friend for over 50. assistant professional at the years. He was an honorary.

Prince's Club and later at the member of the Tennis and member of the Tennis and Rackets Association and of the regular matches with the Prince Old Mariburian Club. His lively of Wales and the Aga Khan, and personality and capacity for Dan Maskell was one of the ball friendship made him a much boys. In 1922 he became loved figure to Mariburians. professional at Mariborough both from the town and the college.

> His wife. Dorothy, died in 1976 and he is survived by a son and two daughters."

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# Lonely landmarks in a prairie war

Some of this country's finest hedgerows predate the sighting of Viking longships off

Lindisfarne; others have disappeared in increasing numbers, victims of modern

agriculture. Alan Hamilton looks at part of our national heritage under threat

Unkempt about those hedges blows an unofficial English rose. But it blows less every year: Rupert Brooke's England con-tinues to vanish at a rate that is the inexorable westward march of the corn belt irons the traditional patchwork landscape into the leatureless tablecloth of a Kansas prairie.

Mark well the hedge, for it is a most essential feature of the effect is to lend intimacy, mystery, colour and shade to the countryside, from the ancient oak-studded hawthorns of Kent, through the rulerstraight hawthorn and ash of the Midlands, to the beeches of Exmoor and the gorse-topped earth banks of Cornwall.

But mark it soon. At the end of the last war there were an estimated 620,000 miles of hedgerow, a calculation arrived at with the help of acrial pictures taken by the Luftwaffe with an eye to invasion. By 1974, when the Ministry of Agriculture had stopped giving grants to farmers to grub up hedges. an estimated 140,000 miles had disappeared. Only 20,000 had been lost to urban sprawl and wider roads; the rest went under the plough.

Since then statistics have been as thin on the ground as oaks in the Fens, but the little available data suggests that the rate of demolition has hardly slowed at all. Witness two recent surveys conducted by local branches of the Council for the Protection of Rural

At Thorpe Morieux in Sufby the end of 1982. Not much of Brightwalton in west Berkshire had 80 miles of hedge in 1947, 50 miles in 1976, and 45 in 1981. Suffolk is becoming the county of the 200-acre field but in Berkshire, not usually regarded as prairie country, the losses are more surprising.

It is a tenacious myth that the "traditional" English landscape of today is essentially Georgian. Certainly two centuries of enclosure produced a frenzy of hedge-planting, but as many as half our hedges predate the agrarian revolution, particularly in Kent and Sussex, and in west and south-west England. Many are Saxon, ancient parish boundaries that wend erratically across the modern landscape. Such venerable growths are part of our national heritage, and ought to enjoy the same statutory protection as do much more recent works of man the

Ten years ago Dr Max Hooper of the Institute of Terrestrial Ecology at Hunting-don in Cambridgeshire devel-oped a method of dating hedges. and he still stands by it, with the proviso that it is only the roughest of guides. Marrying botanical observation with ancient parish records, he concluded that a hedge was 100 years old for every major species in a 30-yard stretch, give or take a couple of centuries.

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nothing short of alarming, as cases where early agricultural

elder and dog rose; count only the principal trees and shrubs a most essential feature of the English rural scene. Its purpose is to define boundaries, protect stock, and shelter crops; its shrub; vigorous, thick, and a beast than any barbed wire.

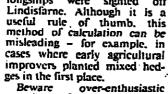
as Christmas.

Before long the cascades of elder will awake to blossom, both flowers and subsequent berries making an abundant offering to the hedgerow winemaker, soon to be followed by entanglements of bramble and wild rose. Even in deepest winter the hedgerow is not in total hibernation, its red-berry chains of the black bryony. child of the mandrake root, offering late winter feeding for

In later season look among the stinging nettles and cow parsley for cuckoo pint, its clegant petals forming a slender hock glass. And if you come across bluebells, they are an indication that the hedge is folk they showed that the parish had 56.5 miles of hedge in 1950, a remnant strip of the native woodland. Look too for young elm, for it is in the undisturbed hedgerows that a new generation is reestablishing itself.

> about the enthusiam of farmers for ripping out hedges. As early as 1800 landowners who doubtless regarded themselves as being in the vanguard of progress were writing to the farming journals and to the Royal Agricultural Society on the wisdom of removing hedges which did little but occupy valuable land. Remove the hedge from the four sides of a 10-acre field, and you will have gained an extra acre of cultivable land.

But too much grubbing seems unnecessary to the point of vandalism. Does a farmer really have to tear up a hedge, not between fields, but between his Thus a hedge with 12 species - field and the road, to gain an and there are some - was extra two-yard strip of land



Beware over-enthusiastic counting of every intrusive

Although the flowers of the hawthorn, the commonest of British hedgerow plants, are traditionally associated with May Day, even at this carly stage in the year some hedges will be showing signs of life. The Glastonbury thorn, sprung by legend from the staff struck in the ground by legent the ground by Joseph of Arimathaea, can flower as early

As there is nothing new under the sun, so is there nothing new

Today's vogue for hedge-grubbing is a direct result of the agricultural intensification which has been in full flood since 1945 and is now at fever pitch with the European Community's blatant bias towards cereal farming.

Town-dwellers too readily forget that the countryside is a workshop for those who live in it, before it is their playground. Why should a farmer be expected to combine-harvest a field designed in the days when the ideal draught for a pair of Shires was regarded as 264



Close encounter with an Anglo-Saxon hedge: Nigel Ajax-Lewis, conservation officer for Berkshire, Buckinghamshire and Oxfordshire Naturalist Trust, at Stanton St John, Oxfordshire

into it.

But there are, thankfully, still plenty of farmers who value the hedge, and understand it. It flourishes best in the foxhunting counties, where a well-trimmed hedge provides a far better jump than any cheapjack postand-wire fence, and on the estates of landowners who shoot, and who appreciate that a hedge will not only hide the guns, but will drive the birds upwards. And it is still appreciated by those who raise lowland sheep and cattle, or who cling to mixed farming in the face of European cereal bribery. The primary purpose of a hedge, even an ancient Saxon parish

cheaper, than any post and wire.

The key word is "well-tended", It takes care and skill to manage a hedge, and requires some knowledge of ancient country crafts which, fortunately, are not quite lost. The Agricultural Training Board can still find old countrymen to. lecture to its occasional courses

on the art of hedge-laying. Leave a hedge alone, and it will grow high, wild and gappy at the bottom, with holes big enough to admit the heftiest bull. Laying is the technique of chopping the young branches about two-thirds of the way through, and bending them parallel with the ground into a

anyway? It happens, and farm-boundary marker, has always close knit, the whole supported shape. City people become very ers have been known in offer been as a stockproof barrier. A on poles of ash and finished upset when they see a hedge he slender excuse that, if the well-tended hedge is more roadside hedge is there, people effective, more attractive, and will only throw old mattresses in the long run probably england once had its own the flails; either the hedge has specified. But even the Royal for the Protection of their policy of the Protection of the form graphing upless it is restpeculiar shape of billhook for the purpose, and some are still readily available.

> The beauty of hedge-laying is that it is a job for the winter months, when farm work is slack, and when there is a limit to the number of floors to be swept and gates to be painted just for the sake of keeping the men employed. A skilled hedge-layer can tackle 20 yards in a day, and his artistry will last a good 15 years before the job needs to be done again. Galvanized wire-and-softwood posts do well to last beyond 10

Once laid, a hedge needs

been the victim of a once-in-alifetime attack, or the tractor driver has traversed it too quickly. Even then, any permanent damage is unlikely.

The man from Hampstead can wax equally irate when he sees a hedge cut back almost to roots, but even severe coppicing of that kind is a perfectly respectable form of hedge management, a means of encouraging new growth close

Wildlife will of course suffer temporarily, but not as much as some might imagine. The removal of hedges reduces the Once laid, a hedge needs habitat of the hedgerow species, regular trimming to keep a good the chaffinehes, the blackbirds

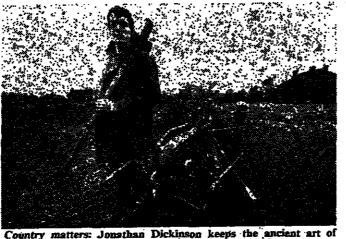
Society for the Protection of Birds agrees that, unless hedges are more or less completely obliterated in any particular area, the birds will simply move Government may be turning a into what remains and live in rather more crowded housing conditions than before.

But the point is that it is undesirable for wildlife to be squeezed into a few well-defined protected habitats, like onceproud American Indians forced

from grubbing unless it is patently necessary, but they fight with virtually no legal teeth.

There are hints that the more sympathetic ear to the notion of hedgerow conservation, but it is not made any easier by the entirely different priorities of the Department of the Environment and the Ministry of Agriculture.

Both might take a moment's on to reservations. Abundant heed of the poet George hedgerows ensure birdsong at Herbert, who in 1640 counevery roadside, down every selled: "Love your neighbour. yet pull not down your hedge". A few brave souls are trying But then the old boy was a to swim against the tide of cleric; what would he know of grubbing. Voluntary bodies like farming?



hedge-laying alive in Great Offley, Hertfordshire

#### planted before the Norsemen's which may not even be his **HEDGEWATCH: A competition for young conservationists**



is there an old and interesting hedgerow near you? We invite our younger readers to spend part of their Easter holidays exploring the countryside.

Can you find a stretch of hedge with a variety of trees and shrubs, that looks as if it has been there for a very long time? What species can you find growing in it? How old do you think it is, and why was it plamted? Can you spot any birds or animals in it? Is it useful? ideally, you should take a 30-yard stretch. Make a drawing of the hedge, the plants and any wildlife you can find in it. Then, in not more than 250 words, describe the hedge and its history. To help you, we asked an artist, Robin Jacques, whose drawing appears on the left, to depict some of the most common elements found in a hedge. with a variety of trees and shrubs,

Common elements found in a hedge.
But remember, do not trespass on farmers' land, and do not damage wild plants or crops.
There are two categories: for children aged 7 to 11, and for those aged 12 to 16. Prizes of £50 will be awarded to the winner and £25 to

the runner-up in each category. Do not forget to include your full name, address and age. Closing date is Friday, May 4. Send your entries to: Hedgerows, The Times, 12 Coley Street, London WC99 9YT. Employees of Times Newspapers Ltd and their families are ineligible. The Times reserves the right to publish winning entries: Entries cannot be returned. The Editor's

# Grubbing that goes against the grain

fordshire, towards Royston. At the top of the hill, pause and look to your right. Continue glancing to the right for the next glancing to the right for the next were made in 1976. The commonly held belief that example as can be found anywhere of how intensive agriculture has changed the face of the English countryside. "You've just crossed the biggest field in Europe", a

friend told us as we arrived for lunch one winter Sunday. It was doubtless an exaggeration, but under a carpet of snow the view was vividly reminiscent of Canada. Unlike Canada, however, where great open spaces under huge skies can be exhibitating, in Hertfordshire they are alien and dispiriting.

Apart from the wholesale destruction of woodlands, the removal of hedges is the most visible sign of agrarian vandal-ism in the cause of profit. East Anglia is generally cited as the worst afflicted region. In fact, much of Norfolk and Suffolk has been spared, and retains its rural intimacy and seclusion. The main "prairie" belt runs north from Hertfordshire, through Cambridgeshire and the Fens into Lincolnshire.

Farmers are inclined to argue with some historical justifi-cation, that this part of the country never had many hedges anyway. But the same is certainly not true of, say, Oxfordshire, Buckinghamshire and Hampshire, where in places the character of the landscape has been totally changed.

The wholesale removal of edges began in earnest after the last war when they came to be seen as less of a convenience and more of a nuisance. The fields they enclosed were simply too small for the efficient use of modern machinery and the Ministry of Agriculture insti-tuted grants for hedge removal

Take the A505, the old Icknield under its farm improvement Way, from Baldock, in Hert- scheme.

hedges, and that some or all of the money comes from Brussels is thus a misconception However, membership of the

EEC has encouraged prairie farming, as disproportionately high grain prices have per suaded people to switch from livestock to arable farming. In an ideal Arcadian country

side, the conservationist lobby would have hedges protected by some form of planning consent, and they are disappointed that the government whips blocked the attempts of Labour MP. Peter Hardy in 1982 to introduce a hedgerow conservation Bill. He pointed out that many of the parliamentary enclosure acts stipulated that hedges then planted should be maintained

"in perpetuity".

Meanwhile, the Council for the Protection of Rural England has campaigned for changes in the EEC agricultural directives to allow grants to be made for wildlife and landscape conser vation and not just for "im-provement". It has described the Government's attitude as obdurate and negative, and has accused the Department of the Environment of allowing the Ministry of Agriculture to call

the tune. There have recently been signs that the two departments are prepared to, or have been ordered to, work more closely together to promote conse vation. So far so good, but the main effects are likely to be on mooriand, marshes and woods which can be easily identified as environmentally important. A hedge is only a hedge.



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# Spice in the land of survivors

and the dead are is not the most beguiling time of day anywhere. Birmingham

or Bombay: but in Bombay humanity's nerve-ends are more exposed. The living grey bundles of wastage, rise from pavements upon which they have slept. They stretch, they defecate, they begin to probe for negotiable garbage among the city's left-overs, something,

The dead are also on the move. Some of them - of the Parsee faith - are carried to the Tower of Silence where they are abandoned. unwrapped, to the gathering vultures.

"Ram Nam Sach Hai": "The how it is. But I know that argument, that illustration, are useless. As Graham Greene wrote of a parallel situation: They won't believe the world haven't noticed is like

By 7.30am breakfast is being served by the pool at the Taj Mahal hotel: papaya, eggs and bacon, coffee. It is a splendid hotel, facing the Gateway of India built in 1911 to commemorate the King Emperor's visit. So perhaps it is rather graceless. this absorption with the incluctable: we must learn to avert

Five o'clock in our eyes from the Harijan admission to Adinath Jain northern route, where the paths the morning colonies where the "untouch- Temple, it is taboo even for are well-trodden. The south is and the quick ables" dwell and concentrate on married couples to show affecon the move. It cricket All over Bombay "nets" one is reminded that 90 per cent

Gandhi in 1921. It has never Rome. Rape features high in gone out, the flames are crime reports. imperishable - despite famine. is India's miracle: in defiance of anything that will buy a bowl of all the universe's known haz- able: Gandhi sharing the city ards, the nation survives, just as the Mahauma survived fasts during his 17 years at Mani-Bhavan, the house in Laburnum Road, which is open today their as a museum.

It must be that God in his several natures, smiles upon India; and in thanks for his name of God is truth". This is munificence India observes anachronistic morality. The kissing never has to stop because it has never started. Even in the dream factories cinemas which proliferate as far as remote country areas - the stars are celluloid deities, hero and heroine never crossing caste or religious barriers, exchanging passion in glances, nothing

> Morality is everything. At the entrance to Sir Phrozeshah Mehta's Gardens, bylaws reiterate that "bad deeds are pro-hibited": "ladies in monthly period are not allowed

more benign aspects. Such as tion for each other in public: are already in swing, with the - or is it more? - of marriages click of leather striking willow. are still "arranged". Yet for all Indian cricket is all dash and this Bombay is scarcely innocent: the daily columns of the "Bombay the beautiful lit Times of India report that this yes:erday a fire which must corner of the globe is no less remain ever alive...", said venal than Washington or

What do I find memorable plague, drought, flooding. This about Bombay? The brainwarping anomalies are memorwith Kipling, random statistics that Bombay produces more movies than Hollywood: the sight of a cosmopolitan Indian taking his Gucci shoes for a walk along spittle-clogged pave-ments. In Bombay, as in Delhi, I am reminded that I am in a country of 700 million people. of 300 languages, of incalculable wealth, of beggars who die in doorways and mothers who

> become beggars. I, martyr to a low boredomthreshold, am never bored here. There are the lunch-carriers, dabbawallas, to watch, cool breezes off the sea at Chowpatty Beach to savour, savouring too hhel-puri spicy snacks from

And always I am reminded that the great cities of Bombay. Calcutta. Madras, are of less relevance to the Indian condition than the least accessible village: for the heart and the truth of India lie in the country, not in the cities. Lok Sabba parliamentary debates in New Delhi are all very well, but pale in significance compared with the state of the village well.

After 48 hours I was ready to leave Bombay, flying south to Trivandrum in the state of Kerala – where an unusual strike was in progress. Primary hunger strike outside the Secretariat building, their charpoys assembled into an open-air dormitory amid the flies and diesel fumes. They looked listless, as one would expect after seven days' fasting. In answer to my question, they replied with academic gravity that they were prepared to die; and I believed them.

South India may be the wrong choice for first-time northern route, where the paths more hermetic manacled to tradition . . . so that it is a shock to experience Kovalam Beach. six miles from Trivandrum. with its dubious seam of hippies.

"Dubious" because they came seeking distraction, and in so doing sowed corruption. The sheltered fishing villagers were not used to sexual exhibitionism, to marijuana. They were scandalized then intrigued: and, being intrigued, were already half-converted. So there was trouble and the police came to Kovalam. After them came the speculators who provided the hippies with lodgings with

swinging names like "No plane to Catch", "My Dream".

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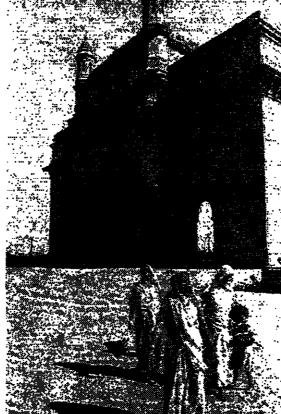
longer belongs to itself. Kanniyakumari, four hours' drive south of Kovalam, remains pure; indeed it is blessed with purity by the goddess who eternally protects the legend maim children so they may that Parvathi in one of her incarnations as Devi Kanya, did nance to obtain the hand of Lord Siva. This is the southern-most tip of India. where waters of the Arabian Sea, Indian Ocean and Bay of Bengal meet; it is also one of the most important pilgrim centres in the ing themselves by total immer-

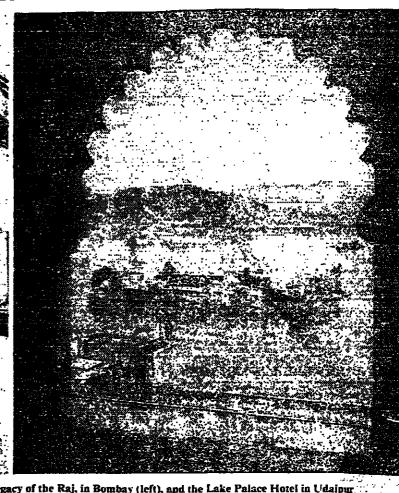
> On the journey south they may have paused at Padmanabhapuram Palace, built in 1550, housing scenes from the Ramayana carved on panels; or they may have prayed at Suchindrum, the Thanumalayan temple dating from the ninth century, which contains a huge effigy of Hanuman. the monkey god. To gain admission non-Hindu men must resort to subterfuge, adopting the dhoti, going barefoot.

sion at the land's end bathing

But the ultimate rite is by immersion at Kanniyakumari, the ghat teeming at that hour before sunset where humankind and the deities seem in closest orbit. Male and female forms, chest high in the sea, dunk themselves repeatedly, their lips moving in near-ecstasy, emerging sleek as scals, reborn in faith.

On another day I drove 158 miles from Trivandrum to Perivar tiger reserve, high in the visitors, who usually elect the Sahyadris, the western ghats on





Power and glory: The Gateway of India, a legacy of the Raj, in Bombay (left), and the Lake Palace Hotel in Udaipur

the Kerala-Tamil Nadu border. Or rather, I was driven, since it is virtually impossible to hire a car without a driver.

It is a long hauf along appalling roads, othre dust swirling in a sirocco behind vehicles. When, in ancient times, the gods wanted to chastise us, I suspect that they rubbed mountains together, as we grind nutmeg, shaking the grit on to India as through a

The road slices through the green of paddy and the greener green of tea plantations, climbing past villages choked with poverty but breathing with indomitable spirit. Each peasant girl, many of that classical non-Aryan Tamil blood, walks like a princess as if towards the proffered hand of Siva, modestly yet knowingly. The men are beautiful too; and marked by vanity - the Indian is quick on the draw with his pocket

I wondered again why, when there is so much to dislike. I continue to love India. I hate the apathy which laps against its moral foundations, as corrosive tides besiege the doomed masonry of Venice. I shudder at

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the petty bureaucracy which has somehow turned ineptness into an art form, an inverse perfection. It's not merely that things don't work, it's that they don't work on such a Wagnerian scale.

I abhor the dirt: the beggars. lepers, dwarfs and maimed western sensidistress my tivities. And I resent the fact that the Raj created Indians in the image of a not-quite-English gentleman. But it doesn't matter, none of it matters, if India has you by the throat.

That night I slept at Periyar rest house in a cell-like room for which I paid a penny or two over £1. The sheets smelled as if they were washed in curry-powder, but there was a tap and an electric fan. By 6am I was aboard a launch on the lake, minutes past first light, when game is stirring. With cirrhosis of the environment wasting such tracts of land, it was reassuring to be at Periyar. Even though the tiger never came that dawn. A herd of elephants played surrogate instead, moving inexorably so

When I was a child I understood as a child: now I am a man I am glad I have not put away those childish things which made that sight at Periyar

that the earth trembled.

In Cochin, back on the coast seven hours' drive from the reserve. I went to St Francis church where the mortal re- 63.000 souls reside in Ootv.

mains of Vasco da Gama lie and where I read that the register of baptism from 1830contains only English names. In the streets, at 5ft 11in. I felt like Gulliver among a race of delicatelybrown-skinned. boned Lilliputians.

In the Mattancherry quarter I paid my respects to the Jewish synagogue built in 1568, where seven families – the last perhaps of an unbroken line – make their devotions. In Cochin I watched the Chinese fishing nets cast upon the waters: and in Cochin I planned my strategy for the invasion of Ooty.

Udhagamandalam, Ootacamund, or just plain Ooty, are one and the same, "Queen of Hill Stations", where government officials of the Raj. mentsaliths and their polo-play ing husbands from the Bangal Lancers, withdrew from the heat of the plains to a height where they could wear their winter tweeds at 7,400ft. Arum lilies grow wild in

Ooty, log-fires crackie, you need a hot-water bottle; your cultural needs are served by the Gowda Talkies Picture House and by Higginbotham's Bookshop.

Ooty, when all is said and done, remains a quaint chunk of history, a sort of Toytown where Larry the Lamb bleats in Tamil and Mr Mayor replies in Hindi or Malayalam. It should not be taken too seriously; yet it should not be dismissed, for

including six or seven British who, for whatever reason, cannot bear the separation of departure. Ooly is home, and evermore shall be so.

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in Ooty I stayed at The Savoy, and when I pulled the bath-plug there was a tragic gurgie as water flooded the room. I crawled beneath the tub, geyser and all, as car mechanics inspect oil-sumps. But nothing was attached to anything of significance, "Most unhappy", said the receptionist. shaking his head sorrowfully, --"Mr Mukherjee, the plumber, is coming.

I stayed three days but Mr Mukherjee never did come. His appearance would have disillusioned me, because I never believed he would.

Returning to Bombay by way of Mysore, I thought about the Bang, I used to believe that when it came, and one survivor -crawled from the ashes, he would be Chinese. Upon reflection. I think he will be joined by an Indian. The difference will be in their

reaction to holocaust: on haul-Chinese will look around for suitable premises to open a betting shop. The Indian. unsurprised at survival, will adopt his usual squatting position before patting his body all wer - not testing for broken. bones, merely to check that his comb is intact.

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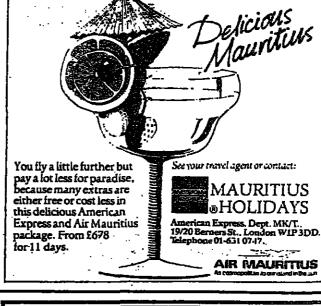
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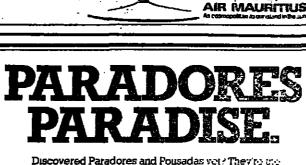
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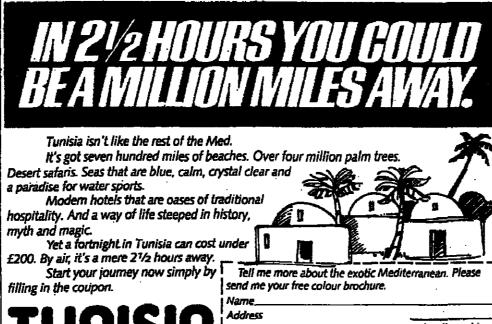
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# Splash of colour at the shallow end



vises beginning in Delhi, New-comers find it less alarming Bombay and Calcutta,

they say, and it is the best place to start a tour of the showplaces of Rajastan. A night or two at the Lake Palace at Udaipur is more or less mandatory, and at Jaipur the Palace of Winds and the Amber Palace are on every itinerary. And so, of course, is the Taj Mahal at Agra. This is the milk-run, the most

popular circuit of tourist India. It covers only a small area of the northern plain and can be packaged into a week. It is the shallow end of the Indian experience and I was quite prepared to begin mine with it. Until the recent rush of films and television plays set and photographed in India, my journeys there had been imagin-

ary ones through the minds' eyes of Kipling, Scott and cyes of Kipling, Scott and Rushdie, So. although all those palaces turned out to be very line - just as pretty and plush as the glimpses offered in Octo-pussy and The Jewel in the Crown - the best thing about being there was filling in a rundred and one colours, smells, sights, sounds and textures, it was one of the most interesting weeks I have spent anywhere.

The street life of the present is even more captivating than

All the bicycles in Delhi are gents. They are dark, thicklimbed, long wheel-based; and on them, men so thin that they look like boys spin about their business. On foot or wheelhorne, the crush is like the road to Wembley on Cup Final day. The ancient Morrises, Triumphs and Fiats which make Minnie Mouse shoes and tight up the bulk of the motor shirts dress the city slickers of

Michael Watkins flew London-Bombay by Air India (£1,854 first class return, group economy return, £425): Full economy fare does not, as in the case of many airlines, quarantee Club Class and it would be advisable to compare fares with British Airways. Internally, Indian Airlines are cheap; but be prepared to pay cash, since credit cards are subject to substantial surcharge. Hotel guide lines: Taj Mahal, Bombay: £56 double: The Savoy, Ooty: £16 double. There are innumerable notels and rest houses charging £1 to £4 double, but do not expect luxury. Even in five-star hotels two can dine for £6-£8; elsewhere halve that price. Avoid spirits at £4 a nip.

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manufacturing plant from Cowley, Coventry and Turin, and some of these period pieces are still in production.

Right of way is accorded to greater bulk. Bicycle gives way to car gives way to bus. On this country roads drivers stick sickeningly late to the central strip of tarmac before lurching out of the path of the oncoming vehicle. Through villages they play chicken with the poultry and the children. Sacred cows. gaunt and calm, play stately havoc with the traffic at city junctions.

#### Street curries eaten from the leaf

In Chadni Chowk, the artery of old Delhi that gives its name to the bazaar district, bullock carts and donkeys dice with trucks and motorized trishaws in an arresting din of bells and hooters. Narrowing streets funnel into the labyrinth until at its centre thay have shed carts. then scooters, and finally the alleys support only men and

Tiny shops, like open cupboards set a foot or two above the street, are floored with thin mattresses covered, immaculately, in rough white cotton. In one lane the trade is in sparkling metallic ribbons and sequins; in another it is in bright plastic buckets and gaudy tin basins. Nearby, every shop in sight is selling fabric. And from dark gaps between these tidy retailers come wild spicy smells of cooking. Big leaves serve as plates for street curries eaten with the fingers or with wooden ice-cream spades.

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population seem at first to be the bazaar. St Laurent, Hermes, astonishingly preserved. But Lanvin and others in whose they are not. India bought old fashionable names all the Lanvin and others in whose fashionable nomes all the perfumes of Paris are franchised, supply the insignia of those who see and are seen in the lobbies of the grand hotels. It would need local know-

ledge to be sure that the waves of glittering women in gilded sans who melted down the marble staircase of Delhi's Taj Mahal Hotel to a wedding party in the gardens were dressed in new money. They were breathtakingly lovely anyway, though no more so than the slender, straight-backed village girls with silver anklets and full skirts with heavy hems in pinks and oranges of truly shocking violence.

Perhaps Delhi had been buffed up a bit for the Commonwealth prime ministers' conference. Certainly when I was there in November New Delhi was cool and groomed. There were beggars and touts and cripples about in the old city, but none of the harrowing confrontations with death and disease I had half expected to

Despite the dust and the dirt, there are surprisingly few unpleasant smells and a great many good ones. The dung fires all to himself, it did seem a pity I had read about so often as the smell of India smell marvellous. like the garden bonfires, and their smoke winds low among the houses and trees at dawn and dusk. And spices which perfume the air at every turn have clearer, stronger, more varied tastes and smells than any which find their way to Britain. The effect is of a full symphony orchestra after

chamber music. The scent of almond oil now has an Indian dimension, too, an association with the country's rather rough system of massage. Its rhythms are quite

seven nights in Kashmir cost from 2243. Katmandu costs another 2333, Bangkok £269, and Goa £329. Staying on an extra week in Delhi costs £121. These holidays feature in the Wings Faraway

Holidays brochure. Service in the Taj group's hotels, where I stayed, was in every sense excellent. It took room service just six minutes

5.30am at the Rambur Palace Hotel at Jaipur. And the doctor of the Taj

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Mahal Hotel in Delhi appeared within 15 minutes of being called,

having been told there was no urgency. A bellboy took not much

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manners which leaves the dignity of both the server and the served

different from those of western massage and it is difficult not to giggle when your toes are pulled.

What is there to say about the

"sights" that is not adequately explained and described in the guidebooks. Except perhaps that every one of them has some extra and delightful dimension. In the gardens of the Red Fort in the heart of old Delhi it is the great green parrots with scurlet beaks and very small grey squirrels with white chipmunk stripes. At the winter palace at Udaipur it was the elephant beds - great stone wedges against which the elephants could slumber without fear of being unable to rise.

At the Lake Palace Hotel, which is the sister summer palace in sight of the winter one (the maharana has yet another for the rainy season on a nearby hill) it was the great swing in my astonishingly elaborate room. A bunch of averagely jaded scribes is not often stirred into rushing about like a gang of excited children showing each other their rooms, The Mail on Sunday's chandelier would not have disgraced the Albert Hall and The Guardian had the better part of a mirrored wing to sleep alone amid such

#### The Taj Mahal and the taste of bears

splendour.

Then there were the dancing bears, seen first in medieval looking outline far ahead on the road from Agra airport to the Taj Mahal. We slowed and stopped and more bears ap-peared from the bushes. black, dusty and mean-eyed. Each bear was attached to a ragged man or boy by a loop of rope and a stick. The places where the ropes had been threaded through their foreheads had long ago healed, but their ghastly snows were eroded and broken by the jerking, moneymaking ropes.

Not even the Taj Mahal could quite take away the taste of the bears. It might have done in moonlight, or if there had not been such crowds, so many jangling transistors, or so many volunteers to mind the shoes which must be shed on its steps. In the warm afternoon light its marble looked greasy with hand and footprints and inside a guide was holding a torch against the inlay of semi-precious stones to make its colours slow more brightly. Guides can destroy the magic of anywhere then they really try.

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Now Boots have adopted the idea and are bringing cookshops
to smaller towns. They already have put 102 in their larger branches or in the former Timothy White's stores which they acquired 15 years ago. By this time next year they will have 160, a development costing £5m.

The Timothy White con-nexion is important, as it has clearly had an influence on the merchandise offered. As long ago as 1975 Boots started to experiment with different schemes in different branches experiment before deciding on the right mix of merchandise. They had the "customer flow" - their research shows that seven in 10 women go to Boots at least once had the kitchen-product exper-

The result is a much greater emphasis on electrical kitchen equipment than you will find in specialist cookshops: 20 per cent of their stock consists of coffee makers, slow cookers, kettles, food mixers and processors and microwave ovens, and 15 per cent is in the sodastream type of drink-making equipment

Boots have developed their own brand of kitchen tools and gadgets, called Professional Range, which are all very Range which are all very reasonably priced. They have also achieved a degree of coordination by keeping pans and tinware to bold primary colours with matching linens. This season there is also a pretty range in pastels to keep in step. with the current fashion.

The main problem any company has to face when designing and stocking a new shop is how to create the right atmosphere for its section of the market. While Boots are sticking to their good-value, middleof-the-road image. Peter Knight, who has recently taken specialists reacting to the his first two steps towards a newcomers? Covent Garden cookshop empire. is adding a

most unexpected kitchen equip- home-furnishing shops in Esher 3 North Row, The Market, ment, from chocolate-dipping and Beaconsfield. Two years Covent Garden, London WC2. forks to lemon zesters, from ago he opened his first cook- find that their basics have duck presses to couscousieres, shop at 10. South Street, changed very little over the Dorking, and last year he years. However they have expanded to 156 Walton Road, recently specialized in English East Molesev.

> with the sort of beautifully hearts and hexagons and in all finished pine display units that sizes from 5in to 14in, and in would make attractive shelving chocolate-making equipment. in a domestic kitchen: and cookware to 70 per cent semifunctional and giftware.

The serious equipment includes some interesting all-glass pans and casseroles by Ceradur which can be taken straight from the freezer and placed on an electric hotplate (or on a gas ring, if you use a diffuser).
They have plain white bases

and clear tops and lids, and they The kitchen is no longer the place

where we economize'

are surprisingly light and a week - while Timothy White comfortable to use; although not non-stick, they are easy to clean. There are saucepans, casseroles and frying pans in plain white or with a floral design from £11.95 to £21.95.

The glassware is particularly good. A range of bowls by Arcoroc comes in five sizes, from 41/2 in to 12 in diameter. Although they cost from as little as 80p to £4.95, they have none of the awful moulded look of cheap glass. There are some neat Danish stacking wine glasses, which are good for picnics, and if you want the home-grown product, you can choose Dartington or Mac-

The gadgetry is fascinating. If you cannot live without a buttering board which holds your crispbread and prevents it from breaking while you slap on the polyunsaturate, it will cost 47p: a nicely streamlined knife sharpener has rubber feet to keep it firm while you hone your carver (£4.95); and a rubber pad called a Screwy Lewy helps you open tight screw lids (75p).

How are the old-established Kitchen Supplies, who took

tinware for cake-making, in the The two cookshops are fitted shape of numerals, letters,

Divertimenti, at 68 Maryle-Divertimenti, but it was years although they look expensive, bone Road, London WI, and there is no sense of claustro- 139 Fulham Road, London phobia as there is in many SW3, are also finding a great small, exclusive shops. The demand for cake-making equipservice is attentive without ment and for specialized equipelectrical and linen departments being pushy, and there is a ment for barbecues. They pride came together to form kitchen remarkable selection of small, themselves particularly on the shops within shops in main city inexpensive items as well as the expert advice and demoncasseroles and terrines you strations they can give to would expect. The balance here customers looking for mixers is about 30 per cent pure and processors. They are also running four-week cookery courses at Fulham Road: £68 for eight two-hour lessons

> a brochure). Divertimenti simply do not consider themselves in the same market as the high-street cook-shops. David Mellor, on the other hand, is giving the new trend serious consideration. He feels the best way of counteract-ing the influx of cookshops is to become "even more specialized and more original".

The pride of his collection is his range of pans in very highquality aluminium and stainless steel. He is still looking for matching quality in enamel, but so far can only find it in Germany, where the pans are the wrong shape for the British market - apparently, we like long handles because we do a lot of boiling.

The one thing we don't seem to boil over about is price. The kitchen is no longer the place where we make economies, and the only people who did not make a success of kitchen shops were a franchise chain who set their prices too low. "It makes sense to spend

more on your cookware than on your curtains", says Peter Knight. "When you are entertaining your guests, they focus on the table, and that's where you make your impression. "And whether you like it or not, it's the man who motivates

the woman to buy. She won't spend a lot on a big purchase without consulting her husband and he's the one who says: 'Go on, let's have it'. As often as not he's the one who actually uses it. too.'

What was that about a woman's place?



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# What's cooking in the food capital of the world

Halles was once its centre. The gone but the area still has many of the features that have made it a magnet for dedicated cooks. It contains several of the most which stock an enormous range

Three of the best are within a short walk of each other. Go first to A. Simon, a glossy emporium established in 1884 at 36 Rue Etienne Marcel. Sturdy custom-made restaurant and

Heavy, plain stainless steel cutlery, slightly larger than the Beryl Downing British equivalent, comes in The firm's own brand of Upstairs is a collection several patterns and is solid and carbon steel knives are a exquisite old and new linens.

Paris is the food comfortable to hold. Prices start capital of the at about £1.25 for knives, 75p world and Les for forks and spoons. Those comfortable to hold. Prices start for forks and spoons. Those with coloured handles come in a wider range of colours than is wholesale vegetable market has available in England and are about £1 each.
A. Simon also stocks those

pressed stainless steel oval dishes which are used in every famous Parisian kitchen shops French café routier for frites and hors d'oeuvres: they are so pretty that it is no wonder that cooking equipment and they are left on the table for you to help yourself. The 10in size costs £3.50.

Just around the corner, at 18 Rue Coquillère, is E. Dehillerion, a shop for very serious cooks. Inside it looks like a brasserie crockery are on warehouse, with cheerful, blue-display, together with those overalled men to help you find solid glasses used in bars your way around the maze of throughout France. whisks, wooden spoons, rolling whisks, wooden spoons, rolling pins and wire-baskets, hung like dried flowers from the ceiling.

bargain. A vegetable knife, for example, comes at £1.80. This is also the place to find every kind of copper pan, at reasonable prices. A tiny sancepan in the heaviest gauge is £9.50. Dehillerion also has a highly

covetable range of small portable items, from fancy steel skewers to plain wooden spat-An Bain Marie, at 20 Rue

Hérold, is a chic antique shop for gourmets where everything has been selected with great There are sets of beautiful old

knives, toast racks, silver sugar tongs, decanters, glasses, nap-kin rings and eight kinds of oyster plate; elegant large silver entrée dishes, egg cups, coffee, pots, 1930s cockiail glasses and witty cocktail sticks; baskets of inexpensive bakelite salad servers and ice cream spoons.

It is a perfect place to find a special present or just indulge yourself. Bain Marie has an other branch 100 yards away at 2 Rue de Mail which sells rare and modern cookery books. The Genviéve Lethu chain

specializes in stylish modern houseware – clear and brightly coloured perspex salad bowls at £7, wood-and-wire cheese safes at £12. Tiny gold-plated sauce whisks priced at less than £1 make amusing token presents. The chain's shops are at the Forum les Halles, level 2, 6 Rue Pirovette and 1 Avenue Niel.

For shoppers with cars, china and porcelain are a very good buy. At Galleries Lafayette the cheapest 10in dinner plate was about 65p, and there was a wide choice at about £1. Lovers of plain white Limoges porcelain should visit l'Arc en Ciel, at 8 Rue Bayen for seconds

with backpacks when they came across tulas - box-shaped bags made in Colombia - imported "a few hundred" and when they sold well found themselves in business. They started with luggage and now have a good range of handbags and small leathergoods as well. I liked the neat shoulder bag (illustrated), a smaller style which looks attractive with summer clothes. It is in soft cream cowhide with a flock lining and detachable shoulder strap (£26.95) and has a matching purse wallet which at 4in x 41/2in is an ideal size to fit into an evening bag too. In several other colours, £13.95. Available from Aliders of Croydon and the

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in the office and it works like a puppy - everybody comes and talks to me about it. You can have

nicest are in plain plastic pots at 99p, or there are more elaborate

packaged ones up to £2.99.

of tiny pink blossoms. I keep mine

are decorated with red Busy Lizzies, £9.99 and there is a

with rather unconventional beginnings. Two of the directors were trekking round South America: bag only at Fenwicks of Bond . . . Street.

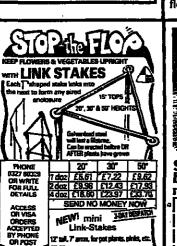
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An Australian puts down roots While visiting a house in ding bouquets this plant is also itself are of vital importance. Kensington Square about 10 known as the wattle. It is a Dig two spits deep and add days ago I was most impressed native of Australia – an organic matter to the bottom

by a specimen of Acacia indication of its hardiness. dealbata, better known as The true acacia should not be mimosa, in full flower. The confused with the false acacia, scent as well as the magnifi- also known as Robinia Pseudoacence of the flowers was a joy. It cacia which is a completely was a small tree planted on the south side of the building, so the same family, Leguminosae, well protected, but if it but there the resemblance ends. flourishes under these con- The robinia is a coarse, spined ditions it is a tree for London tree; the flowers are different and the South-east as well as the South-west. and none are yellow, which identifies the mimosa. The true Used extensively in cutwattle has fine, pinnate foliage flower displays including wed- while the robinia's is much

larger and coarser. In its natural habitat dealbata. the silver wattle, grows to 100ft, but it is unlikely to reach anything like that size this country. Under good conditions a tree may reach 50ft, but normally can be expected to reach up to 20ft. An and would be well worth trying acacia does not spread much so on the alkaline soils of the it will fit nicely into small areas in the garden, but it does not like to be under the canopy of larger trees. An open site, well protected from the north and

east, is essential. conditions are not critical; where growth is fast the soil should not be too good. The acacia likes neither lime nor a high soil pH and prefers a well drained or quick-draining soil. The first two or three years when the plant is establishing

soit, as no matter how well trees. tolerate dry conditions the roots must be able to get down into the sub-soil.

Hard winters will often kill even a well-established acacia, although it has to be a hard year before all growth is killed down to and including the root system. It is wise to protect the base of the tree with a heavy mulch or by wrapping the bole with straw or hessian.

The species to try is most certainly Acacia dealbata. It produces clusters of yellow, flowers which are beautifully set off by the silvery, finely-cut foliage. A. longifolia or the Sydney Golden Wattle is not as hardy as A. dealbata but it is more tolerant of chalky soil south-east coastal areas. The last suggestion, only where good protection is available, is A. Baileyana, the Cootamunda Wattle. Bigger than A. longifolia but not as big as A. dealbata, it may even have a better foliage colour than the latter.

Hilliers of Winchester list these three varieties and have plants of differing sizes priced at about £10 each.

Ashley Stephenson



Acacia dealbata: In flower at Kew Gardens

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have made roots.

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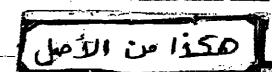
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**REVIEW** Classical records of the month

While we wait for Giuseppe Sinopoli to assume the principal conductorship of the Philharmonia that became nominally his in January, a new pair of records may intensify curiosity, especially when they are his first recordings of normal concert repertury. They capture his style well. Here is the thick, powerfully urged bass, the keenness of pace, and the extraordinary volatility of the emotional temperature; the coexistence, often from one phrase to the next, of passionate involvement and dead numbress.

the effect in Schubert's "Unlinished" Symphony is surprising. Within the first few pages we have moved from sombre gloom, in an opening that produces the illusion it is being played an octave too low, to fierce calls for attention. This is very much Schubert as proto-Mahler rather than post-Mozart, and one's first reaction may be one of repulsion, as with the not-dissimilar Carlos Kleiber recording of a few years

But a dramatic interpretation can make sense of the pauses and breaks in continuity that are otherwise apt to seem curious, and the performance has an authority that compels consideration. Mendelssohn's "Italian" Symphony is less happily rescued from good taste, and emphasis on the bass here merely accentuates what ismost obvious.

Encouraging one's hopes for for Signor Sinopoli, but the Vienna Philharmonic are patently less convinced. In the attempts at pulling out the plums, and when he adopts a sounds almost ostentatious. It is only the overture here that, inov. most disconcertingly, finds the orchestra agreed on the conductor's tearing path.

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nectal Offerer

Claudio Abbado's association with the Chicago Symphony Orchestra is obviously a good deal more stable. He and they provide beautiful accompani-ments for Shlomo Mintz in a record that confirms how much this violinist has developed in the last couple of years; his technique is now matched by an

Philhermonia/Sinopoli. DG 410 862-1 Schumann: Symphony no. 2, Manfred overture Vienna PO/Sinopoli. DG 410 863-1 Prokofiev: Violin concertos Mintz. Chicago SO/Abbado. DG 410 524-1 Berlioz: Symphonie faritastique Chicago SO/Abbado. DG 410 895-1 Rachmaninov: Symphonic Dances, Vocalise CBSO/Rattle. EMI ASD 1436111 Parties, vocales obsorrants. EMI ASD 14361111 Villa-Lobos: Chorès XII Lièga PO/Bartholomee. Ricercar RIC 007

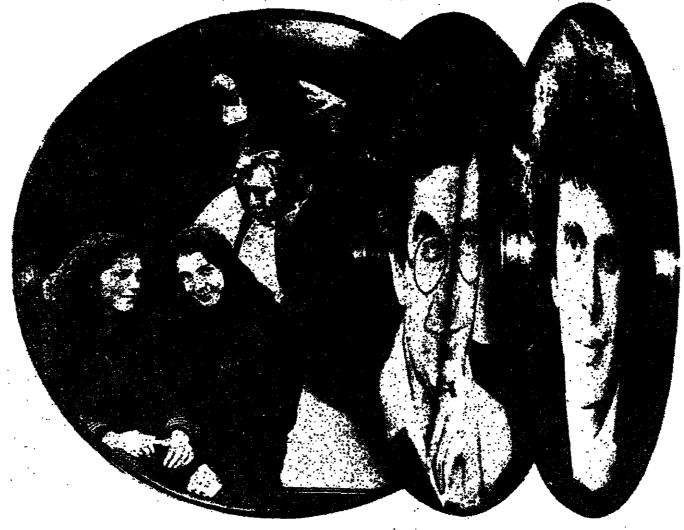
imaginative range approached by very few of his colleagues. This shows itself best in the middle movement of Proko-fiev's First Concerto, where Mr Mintz flips with case from silvery harmonics into disturb-ing assertions of the grotesque. but the whole performance is magnificent, and one wishes only that the Second Concerto were a better piece for him.

Having listened so carefully and well to Mr Mintz in these performances, the orchestra have the right to show off in the Berlioz, particularly when this is a piece where showing off is of the essence. The recording is a hugely exciting one. No presentday conductor knows more about the crafting of potent instrumental character than Abbado, and his way of generating heat while keeping an utterly cold demeanour is just right for Berlioz, the most knowing of romantics.

Perhaps a little more surprisingly. Simon Rattle turns out to their future relationship, the be just the man for Rachmani-Philharmonia play splendidly nov. His and his orchestra's enjoyment of the music is evident all through their recording of the Symphonic Dances. first movement of Schumann's but there is nothing soppy in C major symphony the strings what they do. It is as if the seem to be trying to frustrate his music had been rediscovered by people unaware of its potential vulgarity, and it is played with quick tempo for the scherzo the utmost seriousness, beauty they stumble in a way that and care by all. The result is a fresher and a lovelier Rachman-Searchers after the rare might

prefer Villa-Lobos's Chorôs XII. This is certainly nothing like great music, but as a freewheeling rhapsody of Brazil it contains as much colour, spice and liveliness as banality, and this performance helps one to understand why musical Paris was knocked sideways by the Chorôs pieces as they appeared

Paul Griffiths



Classical feast from (left to right) Katia and Marielle Labèque, Claudio Abbado, Malcolm Bilson and Simon Rattle

# Dark terror and glimmering light from two pianos

This is a month for double vision: of young and old performances, and of performer-composer-transcribers looking back and forth at each other's reflections. Katia and Marielle Labèque are bringing new energy and new seriousness to the two-piano repertoire, persuading us at last that here is music as good to listen to as to play. Their latest offering twins Liszt's Réminiscences de Don Juan with his Two Episodes from Lenau's "Faust" the first, in its two-piano version, provides what could be called a "sensurround" of dark terror and ebullience, with a delight-fully louche little "La ci darem" episode; the second prefaces the Mephisto Waltz No 1 with Faust's vision of a "Night Procession" of strange, shifting distances and glimmering lights.

Liszt: Music for Two Planos Labèque Sisters. EMI ASD 1436451 Liszt: The Piano Works Vol 3 Jorge

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Mozart: Violin Sonatas K301-4 Periman/Barenbolm. DG 410 896-1.

ance of the B minor Sonata. This is not a reading which, like Arrau's for instance, has steeped itself for long, dark hours in the Faust legend: rather it gives a lovingly perceptive understand-ing of how quintessentially pianistic inspiration gives shape

to musical, evolutionary ideas. No less rich in bright Bolet With just one piano, Jorge detail, and revealing him now Bolet continues his homage to as a white-jacketed entertainer. Liszt, turning now to a big- are the Valse Impromptu and framed grandiloquent perform- Grand galop, and the disc is

completed with the three Liebestraume. One piano release that should

not be missed this month is Philip Fowke's complete Cho-pin waltzes, worth at least twice its bargain price. With one ear attuned to the echo of the older masters. Fowke's playing is none the less distinctively individual: at times racy and debonair, at times nonchalant, it is always characterized by a spontaneity and generosity of spirit, and glints with unexpected apercus and a quick wit.

Yet another link with the great performer-composers of the nineteeth century appears in veteran violinist Oscar Shumsky's latest recording: the first of set of four discs of the miniatures, originals and transcriptions, of one of his heroes. Fritz Kreisler. Shumsky's own anecdotal sleevenotes speak of the problem of imitation and identity; but he knows all he

plays so well that he is liberated from it, and from the suffocation, 100, of intrusive personal idiosyncrasy. This is the chief delight of his Viennese selection: these are no mere sepia-tinted caricatures; rather their sentiment is reinvigorated. Compared with Shumsky's

own high-fibre readings of the Mozart Violin Sonatas, released late last year (ASV 930 and 944), lizhak Periman's new K201-3 disc with Daniel Barenboim seems like a diet of Turkish Delight. Smooth and pungent, tasting and savouring where Shumsky's bite and gobble the music, Perlman takes the sonatas farther and probably closer to Mozart's heart, Shumsky reminds us, thrillingly, that they were written for amateurs: Perlman proves, gloriously, where they can go in the hands of professionals. I would not be without either.

# A lyrical journey back to the roots

The first release in Malcolm Bilson's complete Mozart piano cycle with the English Baroque Soloists conducted by John Eliot Gardiner is something of a landmark. People have been playing eighteenth-century pianos for years: there are important recordings by Jörg Demus,
Paul Badura-Skoda, Richard
Burnett, a complete Beethoven
sonata cycle by Malcolm Binns, and so on. But there has always been a whiff of antiquarianism about these ventures, a feeling that allowances have to be made for the state of the pianos. With Bilson's record this

objection dissolves. These are performances of the highest musical accomplishment and substance, which can stand comparison with any in the catalogue. The use of a fine copy of an early piano becomes not an end in itself, a curiosity to be admired, but a simple means of musical expression. What Bilson achieves is to shift attention decisively back to the music, and he reveals much in it that is hidden by other accounts.

For his piano (a copy by Philip Belt of Mozart's own instrument by Anton Walter, preserved in Salzburg) sings in the treble register with a thin, penetrating lyricism, and strides through the bass register with a well-focused, reedy incisiveness. Bilson suggests that Mozart's lyricism is not a thing of endless legato, like toothpaste squeezed from a tube. Instead it is light and shade, a play on tension and resolution, conceived in short phrases which link themselves together into long sentences and paragraphs of bustling activity and drama. The light and airy playing of

the English Baroque Soloists, directed with evident firmness and subtle phrasing by John Eliot Gardiner, is a delight: the acoustic makes it sound slightly 100 large-scale, perhaps, but the matching of sound to the piano

is acutely calculated.
The energy Bilson and
Gardiner create between them in the rest of this finale is exhilarating, and the sharpness of attack in the first movement's exchanges gives the music a refreshing bite and immediacy. This record bodes well for the complete cycle it inaugurates: I could not even bring myself to worry about the unauthenticity of a conductor's presence when the partnership works so well.

A Mozart piano concerto in

disguised form also crops up on an extraordinary recording of Busoni's music for two pianos: Hilary Finch his Duett-Concertino is a su-

Mozart: Plano Concertos in E flat K.271 and in F K.413 Malcolm Bilson (fortepiano), English Baroque Soloists/John Eliot Gardiner, Deutsche Grammophor Archiv 410 905-1

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perbly musical reworking of the finale to K.459, complete with chromatically counterpoint and cadenzas. This record comes on a label called "Jecklin 'Life Energy", which the sleeve alarmingly claims "has the power to activate and greatly enhance the life energy of the listeners as-verified by specific physiological testing . .

After two sides of Busoni's Fantasia Contrapuntistica. I rather felt my life energy had ebbed away. But Busoni is a master his early improvisations on a Bach chorale and his rearrangement of Mozart's K.608 Organ Fantasia are both supreme examples of an imaginative transcriber's art. Isa-bel and Jürg von Vintschger, play sturdily, if at times cloudily.

I have been sampling the range of finely produced, beautifully designed records from the small Dutch company Etcetera. They too include piano duet music: Erik Satie's works in the form include a marvellously effective arrangement I had never heard before on the ballet Parade, played here with wit and sparkle that makes one convinced that this influential but also an extremely: good piece. Etcetera also pro-duced the first recording of Elliott Carter's piano work Night Fantasies.

Rosen's performance is magnificently assured, full of sweep and fervour, it is now ioined on the Nonesuch label by a second recording (with the same coupling, Carter's 1946 Piano Sonata) by the American pianist Paul Jacobs, even spikier and more clear in certain places. This was Jacobs's last record - he died in New York last year of AIDS - and it is a tribute to one of the finest advocates of twentieth-century

Nicholas Kenvon

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Here are three more of

this popular series:

and Wine Club

### **EATING OUT**

# Seductive eccentricity takes over from the jumbo sausage

columns to singing the praises of wine bars serving decent food, it scems only fair to extend that praise to those few publicans who, remembering the meaning of the word victualler, make an effort with their food

While the cliché of the wine-bar food counter has become the quiche, the equivalent for pubs is undoubtedly the jumbo sausage. Very few pubs which offer food these days are without blackboards on which is chalked the proud boast "we serve jumbo sausages". Even fewer have plates on which these monstrosities actually fit the practicalities of dealing with the resultant overhang defeat even the sharpest of etiquettes. How pleasant it is then to

have come across three excellent examples of publicans far end of the room, and arrive taking a pride in the food they on the plate looking as fat as bookmakers' wallets. Other Bridport. Dorset, in the shadow of the town hall. John and Liz croque Mander have stamped their cooked ham or beef, smoked identities on wonderfully attractive premises by preparing their own inventive menus. Each day a bulletin board is

Having devoted the last two handsome, stone-fronted house informing passers-by of notable anniversaries, and tempting them inside with offers of coffee and croissants with cognac (from 10am except Sunday), or pots of hot chocolate. A further easer announces special dishes of the day - perhaps rabbit pie

or freshly caught local plaice.
Once inside, the traveller is seduced by the surroundings and the spirit of enterprise. The interior is commendably free of modern gadgetry - no juke-boxes or space invader machines, just classical music or modern jazz on the stereo, a roaring log fire, a jumble of old tables and a smoke-stained

ceiling to compound the gloom. If you wish, you can just have sandwiches, freshly-squeezed orange juice, and a large cup of creamy coffee, but their menu deserves more sustained atten-Various omelettes are cooked to order in the copper continental-style snacks include

For fuller meals there are excellent home-made pies with delicious light shortcrust pastry placed outside the door of this lids, filled with rabbit or steak

and kidney, grilled entrecotes, kedgeree or smoked Finnan

There is a short but decent wine list, and the house wines, shipped and bottled by the local brewery Palmers (who also provide the beer) are more than serviceable. It is an exemplary operation. The stamp of individualism

also distinguishes the Tickell
Arms in Whittlesford to the
south of Cambridge. Although
nominally a pub, the Tickell is more like a rambling country manor - there are no pub signs, just a white fence and a gravel car park set in front of the stone balustrade in front of the oddly atmospheric premises.

Inside is all dark colours flickering candelabra and loud opera, while Mr Tickell, the proprietor, strides around the antique tables with the manner of a country squire. You can forgive his eccentricity when his kitchens turn out such distinctive meals as pastrami, quail en cocotte in a rich, white grape sauce, escargots, dressed Cromer crab with sauce béar-nise and puddings such as honey and rhubarb crumble. Service arrives via an cf-

ficient counter and tannoy

system, with diners collecting

their own food on trays. This doesn't prevent Squire Tickell

On a more modest scale, the Windsor Castle, set in a narrow

lane behind Maida Vale, is a good example of what honest endeavour and pride can achieve in comfortable but small premises. The abundant floral displays tell you that effort is being made, and indeed Sheila Lewis, the landlady, rises early each morning to prepare such excellent bar meals as lamb soup, salt beef sandwiches on rye bread, steak and kidney pie, crab pate and an authenti-

service charges on orders after.

from imposing a 33 per cent cally flavoured chilli con carne. The house shepherd's pie, certain times, and if you've got long hair or a CND badge you of a house-brick, is potent stuff.

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The George Hotel, 4 South Street, Bridport, Dorset (0308 23187).

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#### DRINK

# Classy Chiantis show up the faults of the nasties

In the nine years I have been was his most difficult task, writing about wine, the country Having since conducted a high that seems to have progressed the least is Italy. Other countries have become more or less a bottle, I know exactly what he used to modern wine-making and wine-growing techniques, but most of poor old lialy continues to struggle along with antiquated methods and ancient equipment; and for every great Italian wine (of which, alas, there are all too few) there appear to be thousands of dreary or indifferent bottles.

Occasionally, tasting a wine such as Marchese Incisa della Rocchetta's superb Sassicaia, I think Italy has at long last turned the corner. Then along comes a wine-tasting with enough "nasties" on the table to make me wonder if Italian winemakers will ever get it

Chianti is a classic example of Italy's wine problems. One Master of Wine, a buyer for one of the biggest off-licence chains. told me recently that tracking down good, ordinary Chianu

Having since conducted a high street Chianti tasting with most of the wines priced at under £3 meant Most of these inexpensive Chiantis suffer from being kept in cask too long, resulting in a dried-out, stringy wine that lacks fruiL All the more credit, then, to those wines that did well. The

best was undoubtedly the delicious pale garnet Lamole '81 Chianti Classico (ASDA £2.69). a delightfully lively wine with lots of fruit and style backed up by a big fruity finish. I was also rather taken with the '80 San Vito in Berardenga again a Chianti Classico, from that important Italian specialist Cynthia Bacon from Hampshire. It had an impressive garnet-purple colour and thick, fruity taste backed up with enough tannin and backbone to allow it to take on robust foods and flavours (Cynthia Bacon,

flowlers' bucke, South Harting, Petersfield, Hants, £3.43 -



mixed or single cases only.

Every High Street outlet or corner wine shop always seems to carry big, litre bottles of Chianti and most of the time the contents are very disappointing, so to find a good one is something of an achievement. The Marchese de Frescobaldi has obviously hit on the perfect popular, litre-bottle formula with his '81 Frescobaldi Chianti (£4.39, available in 1.5 litre bottles only.) It has an attractive ruby-garnet colour, lively, lemony acidity, rich fruity

characteristic of Chianti The real bargain-buy of the

tasting was Threshers own-label Chianti from Biscardo, which, priced at just £2.09, must be one of the cheapest on sale, but it is admittedly only 11.5° alcohol rather than the 12° of most of the other Chiantis. I liked its light, fruity and eminently quaffable, damson-fruit taste with that classic snap of Chianti bitterness again in the back-ground. Oddbins also have a good '79 Monti Verdi Chianti Classic (£2.88) with an unusual macerated-fruit smell.

Chianti's problems are primarily overproduction, inflation and increasingly expensive labour - a lethal combination. With a cellar full of wine that is apparently impossible to sell and a bumper crop in the offing, most of Chianti's winemakers are not unnaturally reluctant to spend money on new equipment or to bring their

bouquet and taste with a vineyards up to scratch. In a pleasing touch of almond desperate effort to survive bitterness on the finish that is so many producers are selling their wine at below cost price.

It is not all bad news in Chianti. Changes in both viticulture and viniculture are taking place on estates run by the most enlightened owners. Many are quite rightly reducing the percentage of white grapes (Chianti traditionally has been a blend of both red and white grapes) and replacing these with classic, red, French varieties such as Cabernet Sauvignon which give more body, bouquet and aging ability. They are also fermenting them at cooler temperatures in stainless steel and allowing their wines to age in bottle, not cask. Marchese Piero Antinori, one of Chianti's and Italy's most progressive young wine producers, not only endorses and perfects these new techniques but is convinced that even higher quality can be achieved.

Jane MacQuitty



# The Wine Club's Italy

A chance to try The Wine Club's highly successful region-byregion survey of the best of region survey of the Malian wine. Burton Anderson, asked to choose 12 regional selections. These come complete with Mr Anderson's tasting notes and background details. His brief: to choose The Best wines Italy currently has on offer, irrespective of price.

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# Quayle's hand-picked crew take a Compass bearing

"You do it because you passion-ately want to do it. You may to strike a blow for unity." passionately regret it later, but you must back what you believe in". Thus Anthony Quayle explains why, at the age of 70, he has founded a new touring theatre company, Compass, which comes to life in Blackpool Brighton - before it opens in London in June. on Tuesday with a production of the eighteenth-century comedy it has to play in quite large The Clandestine Marriage by theatres in order to pay the David Garrick and George Colman.

wanted to do".

The Clandestine Marriage, a comedy of high manners and cil grant, but that may not be law intentions, deals with two of mun's more desperate obsessions - the pursuit of women and the acquisition of wealth. "It is a very funny play, and could be very popular. It is full of humanity, and bitter-sweet irony, and is very much a play of our times", Quayle says.

in the prologue, Garrick acknowledges his debt to Hogarth, and the play reflects Hogarth's view of life, seen through a harsh, ironic but humorous eye. "I think it will make people laugh, and also think a bit. It has not got the obvious elegance of Sheridan, writing in the same period, but I think we will have something good". Quayle explains, mixing enthusiasm with a slight uncertainty about the project.

Anthony Quayle, now an actor-manager again as he was for nine years at Stratford-upon-Avon after the war, is both directing the play and starring with Roy Kinnear and Joyce Redman, two experienced actors he has gathered into his company. The designer is Tanya Moiseiwitsch.

Rationalizing his passion for the adventure. Quayle says that in the National Theatre and the Royal Shakespeare Company. the country has two great institutional theatres and in Triamph a dynamic production company. "What we do not have, which Compass must try to supply, is a comparatively small, close-knit company, the sort of company in which I grew up at the Old Vic under Tyrone Guthrie, and which I would like to have some part in handing on. Nor do ! think we have any great touring company, and in theory I would like to go everywhere".

A good touring company can more than just display excellence in acting, he believes. Some people think we are a united country, but we are very disunited, and are bogged down all kinds of economic LOOT stringency. Theatre can make a Ambassadors (836 1171) perceptible contribution towards Until May 5, Mon-Fri at 8pm, stringency. Theatre can make a

His first production will have a week each in eight provincial towns and cities - Blackpool, Leeds, Plymouth, Norwich, Bath, Croydon, Nottingham and

It is not a cheap venture and company. Quayle has managed to raise £200,000 to get the He had originally hoped to company affoat and to point it start the venture with Shakesinto waters which if not peare, but had difficulty in uncharted are certainly full of casting it and moved to his rocks and hidden obstacles. (As second choice, "one of a bouquet a lifelong sailor he is fond of of plays that I have really using nautical metaphors.) The company has attracted some sponsorship and an Arts Coun-

> repeated next year. It is Quayle's drive that has given the adventure its initial momentum; now he has the practical problem of keeping it going. "We have spent an awful lot of money, and we have got top actors and a top designer. It is not easy to form a company today, but we shall try to do great plays in a great way. He sums up the project with a calmness which hides the

Christopher Warman The Clandestine Marriage, Grand Theatre, Blackpool (0253 28372). Tues until Apr 7 at 7.30pm, Thurs at

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Cottesioe (928 2252)
Today at 2.30pm and 7.30pm,
Mon-Fri at 7.30pm. In repertory

resonance that spreads wide; a cast including Jack Shepherd in top form does it justice.

Queen's (754 1166) Until Apr 14, Mon-Fri at 7.30pm, Sat at 5pm and 8.15pm; matinées

Wed at 3pm Noël Coward's 1920s comedy

mixed bag of persecuted house guests remains hilarious after any

number of revivals, and Penelope

Keith takes to the leading lady's

part as though to the bad manners born.

Upstream Theatre Club (928 5394)

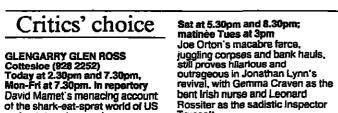
Upstream Theatre Club (326 5359)
Final performance today at 8pm
A striking rarity: Ernst Toller's grim
Expressionist tragedy (1922) of an
unnamed soldier's return, in a

boldly successful studio production

with a towering performance by

passion which has driven him to

found Compass: "It is a hell of a



Truscott. MASTER CLASS Wyndham's (836 3028) Until Apr 7, Mon-Fri at 7.45pm, Sat at 5pm and 8.30pm; matinees Wed at 3pm Staim's 1948 pressure session with composers Prokofiev and Shostakovich gives David Pownall the setting for an alarming yet

Rossiter as the sadistic Inspector

sometimes horribly funny drama, full of food for thought on art and politics and the relation between them. Timothy West's fearsome Stalin is a complex study on the grand scale. **NOISES OFF** Savoy (836 8888) Mor. Fri at 7,45pm, Sat at 5pm and 8.30pm; matinées Wed at 3pm After two years in London, Michael

Frayn's farce of backstage mishaps and misbehaviour during a ghastly rep-fodder sex comedy is still wildly funny. ONE FOR THE ROAD Lyric Hamir (741 2311)

at 1.15pm (lunchtime perfs only) Pinter's latest: a gripping study of torture in a fascist state, with Alan Bates heading an excellent cast. Also a revival of Victoria Station. with Bates and Roger Lloyd Pack in driver and radio controller.

Theatre adventure: Quayle (centre) and two of his cast, Roy Kinnear (right) and Norman Mitchell

at 8pm, Tues at 2pm and 8pm)

epically this vast auditorium without ever quite stilling the

Shaftesbury (930 8577) Until May 5, Mon-Fri at 8pm, Sat at 5.30pm and 8.30pm; matinees Wed at 3pm

Ray Cooney's all-star revival

(Maureen Lipman, Derek Nimmo, Christopher Timothy, Michael

Denison) of Philip King's glorious wartime farce featuring a village

spinster and a stageful of real and

TOPOKANA MARTYRS' DAY Bush (743 3388) Until Apr 21, Tues-Sun at 8pm

astounding first play about the

ironies and lunacies of being at the receiving end of international aid in

Theatre Royal, Stratford, London E15 (534 0310) Final performance today at 8pm One of the great successes of the Arts Theatre's recent "Black

Theatre" season, an endearing Jamaican comedy about a middle-aged macho husband forced to rethink his marriage when the wife

brings back new ideas from a trip to the United States.

Return of Jonathan Falla's

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TWO CAN PLAY

In Ronald Eyre's spectacular production, Shaw's great play fills

PACK OF LIES Lyric (437 3686) Mon-Fri at 7.30pm, Sat at 5pm and 8.15pm; matinees Wed at 3pm Hugh Whitemore's powerful study of a decent couple whose quiet suburban life is destroyed by a Kroger-style spy case. Judi Dench and Michael Williams find impressively tragic performances in the most humdrum

Orange Tree, Richmond (940 3653) Final performances today at 5.40pm and 8.30pm Tolstoy's rarely staged tragedy of sin and atonement in a Russian peasant community, given a superbly gripping, satisfying production in this tiny studio.

THE POWER OF DARKNESS

SAINT JOAN Olivier (928 2252) Wed at 7.15pm, Thurs at 2pm and 7.15pm. In repertory with Jean Seberg by Marvin Hamlisch, Christopher Adler, and Julian Opens Tues. Until Apr 14, Mon-Sat Barry (today at 2pm and 8pm, Mon

PREVIEW Galleries

Another Country by Julian Mitchell. Opens Mon at 8pm, until Apr 7, Mon-Sat at 8pm; matinée Sat at 4.30pm Many of the original West End cast. directed by Kim Grant. in this touring production of the award-winning play about life at a public

Out of Town

CAMBRIDGE: Arts (0223 352000).

school, pre-war, and its effects on subsequent public affairs. COLCHESTER: Mercury (0206 573948), 84 Charing Cross Road by James Roose-Evans from the book by Helene Hanff. Until Apr 21, Tues, Wed, Fri at 7.30pm,

Thurs at 8pm, Set at 5pm and 8pm; matinées Thurs and Apr 12, at 2.45pm. No peri Apr 20 Miriam Margolyes as the American woman who builds a relationship by correspondence with the staff of a London bookshop. Directed by

COVENTRY: Belgrade (0203 20205), Jesus Christ Superstar by Tim Rice and Andrew Lloyd Webber. Opens Tues at 7.30pm, until Apr 28, Mon-Thurs at 7.30pm, Fri and Sat at 8pm; matinee Wed at 2.30pm

Enormously successful rock musical account of the final week of the life of Jesus Christ, directed by John Adams. CROYDON: Ashcroft (688 9291).

Children of a Lesser God by Mark Medoff. Opens Mon at 7.45pm, until Apr 7, Mon-Fri at 7.45pm, Sat at 5pm and 8.15pm; matinee Wed at 2.30pm, The early Sat performance is "signed" for those with impaired hearing. Jean St Clair and Ron Aldridge in the touring production of an award-winning and successful play about a deaf woman and her relationship with her speech therapist.

EDINBURGH: Traverse (031 226 2633). Slack Mas by John Constable. Opens Tues at 8pm, until Apr 8, Tues-Sun at 8pm As seen in London at the New End (final performance today), this new play, Constable's first, is set in Trinidad during Carnival.

HAYES, Middlesex: Beck Theatre Terence Rattigan. Opens Mon at 8pm, until Apr 7, Mon-Fri at 8pm, Sat at 5pm and 8pm; matinée Wed at 2.30pm Touring revival of Rattigan's

perennially popular drama, with Marius Goring, Stephanie Turner and Allen Cuthbertson in leading IPSWICH: Wolsey (0473 53725). Jesus Christ Superstar by Tim

Rice and Andrew Lloyd Webber. Opens Wed at 7.45pm, until May 5, Tues-Fri at 7.45pm, Sat at 8pm; matinées Wed at 2.30pm, Sat at 4.45pm Rock musical about the last week in the life of Jesus Christ. LEATHERHEAD: Thorndike (0372

377677). Rope by Patrick Hamilton. Until Apr 7, Mon, Tues, Thurs, Sat at 7.30pm, Wed and Fri at 8pm; matinèe Sat at 4pm William Franklyn directs a revival of a perennially popular thriller centred on a "perfect murder". Michael Jayston heads the cast.

LEICESTER: Haymarket (0533 539787). Passion Play by Peter Nichols. Until Apr 7, Mon-Thurs at 7.30pm, Fri and Sat at 8pm Judy Parfitt, Barry Foster, Leslie



Shylock: Ian McDiarmid in The Merchant of Venice; previews from Thursday at Stratford (see page 20)

Phillips. Zena Walker. Heather Wright, directed by Mike Ockrent in the first regional production of the award-winning comedy which looks at the strains of modern marriage. Not suitable for children. Opens at Wyndham's Theatre, London, on Apr 11.

LIVERPOOL: Everyman (051 709 4776). Scapino! by Frank Dunlop and Jim Dale from Molière. Opens Thurs at 8pm, until May 5, Tues-Sat at 8pm Gwen Walford directs John Ashton and mpany in the Moliere farce as re-set in modern-day Naples.

MANCHESTER: Library (061 236 7110). Jack the Lad by David Wood, Dave and Toni Arthur. Until Apr 14, Tues-Sat at 7.30pm Described as a "giant fairy tale for adults", this new show uses mime, dance, song and sketches to tell the stories of some "lovable villians" of history and literature.

MOLD: Theatr Chryd (0352 55114). Courage to Kill by Lars Noren. Until Apr 7, Mon-Sat at 7.30pm Conflicts between a young man, his girlfriend and his father.

SOUTHAMPTON: Nuffield (0703 555028). Joseph and the Amazing **Technicolor Dreamcoat by Tim** Rice and Andrew Lloyd Webber. Opens Mon at 7.30pm, until Apr 7, Mon-Thurs at 7.30pm, Fri and Sat

at 8pm; matinée Sat at 4.30pm

Touring production of the biblical rock musical which began the Lloyd Webber/Rice success story.

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Theatre (0789 295623). Henry V. Today at 1.30pm and 7.30pm. In Kenneth Branagh leads in the first new production of the play at Stratford since 1977, opening this year's season. Adrian Noble directs a cast including Sebastian Shaw, Harold Innocent, Brian Blessed, Patricia Routledge. The Merchant of Venice. See The Week Ahead, page 20.

WATFORD: Palace (0923 25671). Cider with Rosie by Laurie Lee, adapted by Nick Darke. Opens Thurs at 7.45pm., until Apr 28, Mon-Thurs at 7.45pm, Fri and Sat at 8pm; matinées Apr 10, 11 at 1.45pm (schools); Apr 21, 28 at 3pm. No perf Apr 20 Heather Canning, Roger Heathcott, Helena Little in a pleasing account of growing up in rural domesticity 50 years ago.

YORK: Theatre Royal (0904 23568). Run for Your Wife by Ray Cooney. Opens Mon at 7.30pm, until Apr 7, Mon-Sat at 7.30pm; matinee Sat at 4pm Cooney directs his farce, still running in the West End. in this touring production with Paul Henry, Ian Lavender, Melvin Hayes and Tony Brandon in leading roles.

#### Photography

1982. It was an immediate success. As a dealer and collector he had been growing increasingly concerned that many young, unestablished photographers were unable to find an outlet for their work lack of a suitable market place £70. puts a barrier between the

The London Photograph Fair dealers, photographers and phere. However, the fair deals

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tine, Frith and Alinari has also proved popular at prices ranging from £3 to £20.

prices that people can expect to pay is given by the fact that Bourne's views of India were

include daguerreotypes costing A VANISHED WORLD Peter Agius held his first Photographers' Gallery back in 1982. It was an an an analysis of the photographers' Gallery back in 1982. It was an an analysis of the photographers and publishers such as Walls of the photographers and publishers and publis Roman Vishniac (now 86 and living between 1934 and 1937 photographing the Jews of Eastern Europa. Of the 16,000 photographs he took only 2,000 survived; 60 are in this exhibition. A poignant view of a civilization destroyed by Hitler.

> ROBERT MAPPLETHORPE Museum of Modern Art, 30 Pembroke Street, Oxford (0865 722733). Until May 20, Tues-Sat homosexuals in New York. His style is at times cold, almost dispassionate, and many would find the results offensive. More

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Mapplethorpe has relentlessly
portrayed the world of black male appealing perhaps are his clearly seen still-life works and many fine "straight" portraits taken over the vears. Also on show is Marketa

Sculpture Project". WC2. Until Apr 14, Tues-Sat 11am-

Nine photographers offer work constructed from multiple photographic images. By far the most interesting is Vaughan Grylis's narrative triptych I NO TOITT IS Hockneyesque but the similarity is superficial: there is little of Hockney's visual sensuality and more rigorous intellectual exploration. Mari Mahr also shows some intriguing surreal creations. Continuing at this gallery is "Martin Chambi: Photographs in Context".

Plymouth Arts Centre, 38 Looe Street, Plymouth (0752 660060). Until Apr 7, Mon-Sat 10am-6pm Portraits and fashion pictures from 1948 to 1969 by a photographer who is synonymous with the swinging sixties. Intriguing stagemanaged view of a period the photographer helped to create.

oook in 1951 with an accompanying text by acknowledged writers. They

JULIA MARGARET CAMERON John Hansard Gallery, The University, Southampton (0703 559122). Until Apr 28, Mon-Sat

Julia Margaret Cameron was an amateur given a camera by her daughter in 1863. Through Alfred, Lord Tennyson, a neighbour on the Isle of Wight, she was soon photographing many well known literary ligures of the day: Sir John Herschel, Thomas Carlyle and Holman-Hunt are just three among a galaxy of craggy-faced Victorians seen in a romantic pictorialist way.

Critics' choice CEDRIC MORRIS:

techniques - he painted from one certain of producing the same effect twice. He toyed with settling to a primarily figurative style, painting portraits and landscape, food and flowers with a quite personal sense of colour. MICHAEL AYRTON



IMAGE OF THE WEEK: Softening stale bread. Vienna 1938, by Vishniac (see listings)

has done two boxes (in fact,

SW1 (821 1313). Until May 13, years ago at the age of 92) that he made and outlived several reputations. He was self-taught, which showed both in his eccentric surrealism and abstraction, before

paintings and sculptures, and tends to confirm the leeling that his earlier Neo-Romantic paintings and drawings were his best. **BRIDGET RILEY DANCE BOXES** 

nas cone two boxes (in fact, shallow frames), which contain a pnnt based on the ballet designs and a battery-powered abstract figure which "dances" across this background. This essay in the kinetic is accompanied by a small show of studies for the ballet itself. **BURMANTOFTS POTTERY** 

Leeds pottery was originally an artistic offshoot of an existing production of sanitary and industrial ware. The designs were often quaintly grotesque, usually in the "aesthetic" taste of the day, and as a rule had some practical purpose, such as the umbrella stand, the candlestick, the clockcase and the vase. The factory also went in for titles and architectural ceramics, and both are represented.

**GEORGE HOOPER** Odette Gübert Gallery, 5 Cork Street, London W1 (437 3175). Until Fri, Mon-Fri 10am-5.30pm, Sat 10am-1pm George Hooper. 74 this year, has mostly kept out of the public eye since he won the Royal Acade Gold Medal for his painting "Labour" in 1933. There have been occasional shows in London but this is the first retrospective of his work, which ranges from the sober, Stade-style early works to the glowing recent still-lifes in brilliant fauvist colours.

TREASURES FROM DULWICH Agnew, 43 Old Bond Street, London W1 (629 6176). Until Apr 19, Mon-Fri 9.30am-5.30pr Rare opportunity to see in the West End such stunners from the **Dulwich Picture Gallery collection** as Rembrandt's Gid at a Window

#### Dance

SADLER'S WELLS ROYAL BALLET Sadler's Wells (278 8916). Tues until April 14 (not Sun) at 7.30pm; matinées Sat`at 2.30pm The new production of Petrushka is given Tues-Thurs, on a bill with Ashton's Les Rendezvous and Act Ill of Raymonda to open a fortnight's season. Ana Botatogo, a guest from Rio de Janeiro, makes her British debut as Raymonda on Wed. The programme changes on Fri to Paquita, the Winter Play and

Pineapple Poll. NEW BRITISH DANCE Riverside (748 3354). Tonight and tomorrow at 8pm Rosemary Butcher's company

performs tonight to a new score by Malcolm Clark in a setting by Heinz Dieter Pietsch. Tomorrow, Gaby Agrs, Michael Clark, Gregory Nash and Michael Popper will present new works. BALLET RAMBERT

Sadler's Wells (278 8916). Today at 7.30pm Rambert's London season ends tonight with Alston's new Voices and Light Footsteps, Bruce's Concertino and Bridget Riley's Colour Moves. The company visits I ishon next week, then Oporto. before starting a regional tour at Brighton on May 14.

LURCHING DARTS October Gallery, 24 Old Gloucester Street, London WC1 (242 7367). Today at 8pm Dancer-choreographers Matthew Hawkins and Ann Dickie present an evening of recent solos and collaborative work.

SYMPHONY ON ICE Albert Hall (589 8212). Mon until April 8 at 7.30pm John Curry's ice-dancing show, with 14 dancers and the Royal Philharmonic, offers choreography by Jean-Pierre Bonnefous, Laura Dean and Peter Martins as well as

ROYAL BALLET Covent Garden (240 1066). Today and Wed at 7.30pm Only two ballet nights this week. Tonight La Bayadere. Alston's Midsummer and MacMillan's Elite Syncopations. On Wed Ravenna Tucker dances her first Rhapsody on a bill with Enigma Variations and

Les Noces. SCOTTISH BALLET Glasgow, Royal (041 331 1234). Today at 2.15 and 7.15pm. Edinburgh, King's (031 229 1201). Tues until April 7 at 7.30pm; matinee Sat at 2.30pm Cranko's Romeo and Juliet, a brg success two years ago, is back for

a short run FESTIVAL BALLET Poole, Towngate (0202 685222). Tues and Wed at 7.30pm. Brighton, Royal (0273 28488). Fri and April 7 at 8pm A varied programme including dances from Les Sylphides and Andre Prokovsky's Gershwin ballet

The Aquarium is given by a cast of 12 with piano accompaniment: an ingenious way of bringing ballet to small stages.

Theatre: Irving Wardle and Anthony Masters: Photography: Michael Young: Galleries: John Russell Taylor; Dance:

public and the photographer.

removes that barrier, allowing ordinary people to trade in vintage prints, books and contemporary work in a friendly and informal atmosonly in images and no equip-

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because they could not break sold recently for between £25

into the recognized gallery and £40. Contemporary prints circuit. He maintains that this start at around £10 and climb to

examples which may well surface again include Lartigue's History of Photography (£65), and Brandt's A Night in London (£60) and The English at Home

An indication of the sort of

Books are another important

feature of the fair. Previous Les Femines (£12), Tissandier's

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**BILL BRANDT: LITERARY** 

BRITAIN
Victoria and Albert Museum,
Cromwell Road, London SW7 (01589 6371), Until May 20, MonThurs 10am-5.30pm, Sat 10am5.30pm, Sun 2.30-5.30pm
The V & A had originally hoped to stage a retrospective of Brandt's work as an eightieth birthday tribute to the macter. But Report work as an eighbour billinday tribute to the master. But Brandt, with sad prescience, thought this unwise in case he "didn't make it": he died last December. This show directs our attention back to the quiet landscapes he published as a

represent a romantic style which he was later to abandon. Many of the exhibited prints were made by Brandt himself. Not to be missed.

10am-5pm Incredible though it may seem,

Mon-Sat 10am-5.30pm, Sun 2-5pm Morns lived so long (he died two corner outwards, as though knitting
- and the curious inequality of his
work, as though he could never be the same semi-naive approach and

London W1 (629 6176). Until Apr 19, Mon-Fri 9.30am-5.30pm Ayrton was one of British modern art's few true intellectuals, as handy with the pen and the typewriter as in his studio working on paintings and sculpture, and he left a rich and complex legacy which we are only now beginning to sort out. This show includes

Juda Rowan Gallery, 11 Tottenham Mews, London W1 (637 5517). Ends today, 10am-1pm When Bridget Riley made her first venture into ballet design with the Rambert's Colour Moves last year, she played a far more radical role than most designers in that choreography and music were both devised in relation to the backdrops and costumes. Now she

Geffrye Museum, Kingsland Road, London E2 (739 8368). Until May 20, Tues-Sat 10am-5pm, Sun 2-5pm This turn-of-the-century line in Leads pottons was originally an

# Kid-glove treatment has the monster muzzled

We have waited so long for a film to be culled from A la tocherche du temps perdu that the arrival of Swann in Love. directed by Volker Schlöndorff, can only seem an anti-climay. We have waited, in fact, rather longer than it took Proust to write the movel sequences it was in the mid-1960s that the former actress Nichole Stephane first secured, from the author's niece, the screen rights to France's then a wide range of directors, writers and financiers have toiled away, converting the claborate symphony of semiautobiographical memories into viable dialogue, images, budgets and shooting schedules.

Their work was not com-pletely without issue. Visconti-enjoyed a grand stint in 1970-71. scouting for locations, distilling The Cities of the Plain into a screenplay with his regular writer. Suso Cecchi I) Amico, and daugling various actors before us: Alain Delon as Marcel, the narrator, Bardot, perhaps, as the aging Odette de (rec) principal object of Suann love. There were two concrete results: a script, published in 1978, and a lawsuit. ulien Visconti, fretting over delays and lack of finance, abandoned poor Proust for another film, Ludwig.

Joseph Losey then joined the project, and brought along Harold Pinter, by early 1973

🖪 l'o cinema reputation fell

described as routinely efficient.

but interesting Conrad adap-

s and anti-climax.

After two elaborate failures, how has Schlondorff Reed, he wrote, was probably laster during the 1950s and the most brilliant craftsman of 1960s than that of Sir Carol the modern cinema yet "devoid Reed. From being acclaimed as of the urges that make a really one of the world's finest director. Winnington directors, he was relegated to went on: "He would seem to be one of the world's finest directors, he was relegated to the ranks of the vast majority of enclosed from life with no film makers who can at best be specially strong feelings about the stories that come his way to Just why the quality of Reed's work declined so abruptly from the heights of film, other than that they

perfect and polish with a Old Man Out. The Fallen Idol craftsman's love". and The Third Man is still True, though when applied to something of a mystery. But with the exception of his flawed Reed's 1948 film The Fallen Idol (BBC2, tomorrow, 1.55-3.25pm) the verdict may be too tation Outcast of the Islands and harsh. In transferring Graham Greene's short story The Base-ment Room to the screen Reed a spirited version of the musical Oliver! (which won him an Oscar), his career after 1949 was was far more than the interpreter of a script.

It is said that Reed was only We have Greene's word for it as good as his material and too that the final shape and emphasis of the film, which chen in his later films he seemed to be struggling with represented a fundamental subjects to which he was departure from the original unsuited. A deeper explanation story, was largely due to Reed; may be implicit in the remarks and we also have Greene's of that perceptive critic, Richard Winnington, in his review of *The Third Man*. generous tribute to the judgment of Reed on points where the two men differed.



had prepared a fresh muzzled the monster? The into the river, we would find the drawn from the entire secret lies perhaps in the script, elements that make it flow." script, drawn from the entire initially prepared by Peter Brook and Jean-Claude Carnovel sequence but emphasizing themes of time and childhood. Their labours, again, drew forth certain fruit, including Pinter's riere for direction by Brook himself (the success of his stage Carmen upset that plan). As published screenplay.

#### was that by dipping a bucket Films on TV

Carrière remarks: "Our gamble

Ralph Richardson (one of several fine screen portrayals at this time) plays Baines, the butler at a London embassy who become the idol of a small boy, the son of the ambassador. When Baines is suspected of murdering his sharp-tempered wife, the boy tries to help by should be something he can telling lies in his defence.

Reed was particularly good at directing children and he coaxed a marvellous performance out of the eight-year-old Bobby Henrey which has little of the embarrassing cuteness so often associated with child actors. Another happy piece of casting was that of the French actress, Michele Morgan, as the embassy typist with whom Baines has a furtive affair. Prominent among the sup-porting cast is an actor who had

been in films for 18 years and was at last about to become a star, Jack Hawkins.

statement of a film artist, The Fallen Idol remains a considerable achievement. Reed may sometimes overdo the stylistic flourishes, being too fond of the tilted camera, but his handling of characters and theme could

The bucket chiefly consists of 24 hours in Swann's life, drawn

from the second half of Swann's

Hun, wherein Swann, the elegant aesthete, becomes ob-

sessed with the beautiful but

dubious Odette.

hardly be bettered.

#### Peter Waymark

Also recommende The Plainsman (1936): Cecil B. De Mille's epic Western, with Gary Cooper as Wild Bill Hickok and Jean Arthur as Calamity Jane (Channel 4, today, 2.30-4.35pm). Intruder in the Dust (1949): Courageous, for its time, expose of racial bigotry and lynch law in the American south, directed by Clarence Brown from the novel by William Faulkner (Channel 4, today,

William Faulkner (Channel 4, today, 11.25pm-1am). Fiddler on the Roof (1971): Overlong but faithful adaptation of the hit musical with Topol as the poor milkman trying to find good husbands for his five daughters (BBC1, tomorrow, 3.25-6.20pm).

Search of Anna (1977): Esben in Search of Anna (1977)\*: Esben Storm's film in the BBC2 Australian Even if it is, in Winnington's season is about a man just out of terms, brilliant craftmanship jall having to choose between his rather than the deeply feit old girlfriend and a model he meets

Schlöndorff came to the project with a useful French technical training and a reputation for literary adaptations, albeit German; his films have been drawn from Genter Grass (The Tin Drum) and Heinrich Bell (The Lost Honour of Katherine Blum), among others. For the battle with Proust, Schlondorff tactfully used kid Schlondorii incifully used kid gloves, avoiding any jagged lurches in style or bold strokes of interpretation. The spectator is simply, skilfully propelled through an unfussy script, brought to life with the aid of Sven Nykvist's crisp, sombre photography. Jacques Sanlnier's exquisite drawing-room sets, and brooding music by sets, and brooding music by

Hans Werner Henze.

And, naturally, the actors:
Jeremy Irons, elegantly melancholic, appears as Swann, with choic, appears as Swann, with the voluptuous Ornella Muti as Odette; Alain 'Delon - a Visconti survivor plays the foppish waxwork Baron de Charlus, "Swann could easily have been an Englishman", Nicole Stephane argnes, trying to deflect chanvinistic criticism, though, thanks to Pierre Arditi's excellently synchro dubbine. Irons never lets his nationality peep through.

Geoff Brown Swann in Love (Cert 18) opens in London on Thurs at the Lumière Cinema, St Martins Lane, WC2 (836

on the road (BBC2, tomorrow, 10.20-11.45pm).

Three Godfathers (1948): Allegorical Western in which outlaws gain redemption by rescuing a dying woman's baby; John Wayne leads, John Ford directs (BBC2, Mon, 5.40-7.20pm).

The Exterminating Angel (1962): Luis Bunuel's deliciously surreal piece about a group of Maxican aristocrats mystariously trapped in a room after a dinner party (Channel 4, Wed, 9-10.45pm).

Kind Hearts and Coronets (1949): Ealing comedy of a blacker sort, with Dennis Price with his eye on the family fortune and eight versions of Alec Guinness standing in his way (BBC2, Fri The Trials of Oscar Wilde (1960):

Peter Finch makes a convincing

Oscar, suling the Marquis of Queensbury (Lionel Jeffries) for libel; James Mason in support (BBC1, Fri, 10.50pm-12.55am). Riffifi (1955): Jules Dassin's Parisian jewel caper, with a famous robbery sequence that lasts nearly half an hour without dialogue (BBC2, Fri, 11.35pm-1.35am). This British lelevision showing

#### Critics' choice

THE BIG CHILL (15) Cinecents Panton Street (330 0631) (830 0831)
Odeon Kensington (602 6644)
Screen on the Green (226 3520)
Warner West End (439 0791)
Former students from the 1860s gather at a funeral and survey the effects of time. A comic college of human behaviour, slightly shallow but with neat, vivid ensemble playing (Tom Berenger, William Hurt, Kevin Kine). The second film of writer-director Lawrence Kasdan, previously acclaimed for Body Heat.

CAN SHE BAKE CAN SHE BAKE CAN SHE DARE
A CHERRY PIE? (15)
Classic Oxford Street (635 0310)
Coronet Notting Hill (727 6705)
A self-obsessed, divorced health
addict meets a neurotic,
abandoned wife on a Manhattan
informitte these entires a figuration

sidewalk; they enjoy a fraught romance. This could only be the work of director Henry Jaglom, the wayward American independent who struck comic gold with the who struct contact got with the low-budget, semi-improvised sitting Ducks. A marvellous exploration of human relationships true and tender, and radiantly droll. As in the earlier film, Michael Emil talks his head off; Karen Black gives her best performance to date.

CARMEN (15)
Curzon (499 3737/8)
Carlos Saura's second
collaboration with dancer Antonio Gades and his troupe. Rehearsals for a flamenco-style Carmen ballet are interwoven with a weak story of jeatous love. Less potent than the magical Blood Wedding, but the dancing remains irresistible. With Gades and Laura del Sol.

Gades and Laura del Sol.

THE DRESSER (PG)
Odeon Haymarket (930 2738)
Proficient screen treatment of
Ronald Harwood's stage hit about
the actor-manager and his dresser
struggling through King Lear
despite Hitler's bombs, fractious
actors, and crumbling health. The
backstage atmosphere is usefully
enlarged; Albert Finney and Tom
Courtenay play with great theatrical
panache. Directed by Peter Yates.

EDUCATING RITA (PG) Classic Oxford Street (636 0310) Odeon Kensington (602 6644)
Royal Charing Cross Road
(930 6915)
Michael Caine and Julie Watters in

Lewis Gilbert's award-winning film adapted from the stage play by Willy Russell.

LIANNA (18) Screen on Baker Street (935 2772) A married woman drifts into a lesblan relationship with her night-school teacher - a situation presented by American writer-director John Sayles with tact, wit and clever use of modest resources. Marvellous lead performances from Linda Griffiths. Jane Hallaren and Jon DeVries. NEVER CRY WOLF (PG) Classic Chelsea (352 5096) Classic Haymarket (839 1527)

An ill-equipped government biologist, assigned to study Arctic wolves, becomes sucked into the mystery and wonder of life in the raw, As indeed do we. A highly

COVENT GARDEN

Rigoletto comes back into repertory at the Royal Opera House this week with Edward Downes conducting the Zeffire

production, restaged after an

comes Bellini's *I Capuleti e i* 

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appealing second feature by Carroll Ballard, director of *The* Black Stallion, mixing wild-life adventure and quirky comedy with a poetic contemplation of man and nature. Charles Martin Smith gives an amusing lead performance; the wolves are good, too.

THE RIGHT STUFF (15) Warner West End (439 0791) Tom Wolfe's novel about America's space pioneers, brought to the screen as a sumptuous, three-hour epic. The style veers between irreverent comedy and worshipful, patriotic drama; compulsive viewing with sharp insights into space-race ballyhoo. Written and directed by Philip Kaufman; with Ed Harris, Scott Glenn and Sam

**RUMBLE FISH (18)** Francis Coppole's latest film defies all categories: a black and white fantasy about youthful hopes and alienation, shot with determined poetic intent and meshed with a riveting rhythmic score by Stawart Copeland (from the rock group The Police). Featured players Matt Dillon and Mickey Rourke effortlessly merge into the crazy



Learner: Mitchell Lichtenstein

fabric of shadows, scudding clouds and surreal comp on a novel by S. E. Hinton

STREAMERS (18)
Gate Notting Hill
(221 0220/727 5750)
Robert Atman's latest film
continues his new love affair with
the theatre. David Rabe's stark the theatre. David Habe's Stark play about young, green soldiers waiting for shipment to Vietnam is simply but pungently brought to the screen with vivid performances and an acute sense of emotional caustrophobia. The entire principal cast won the Best Actor prize at the 1983 Venice Film Festival; Mitchell Lebbergies as the daysfilled. Lichtenstein, as the dandified homosexual, is particularly

TESTAMENT (PG)
Gate Bloomsbury (837 1177)
Nuclear war comes to a small
American town; the doomsday
narrative unfolds with no filinching, no jokes, and a strong emphasis on maternal love. Jane Alexander stars as the mother holding on to family life while society crumbles The feature film debut of director Lynne Littman, experienced in television and documentary, With William Devane, Ross Harris and William Devane, Ross Harris and Roxana Zal.

TO BE OR NOT TO BE (PG) 0631) Classic Chelsea (352 5096) Classic Tottenham Court Road

(Jassic Tottenham Court Road (636 6148) Odeon Kensington (602 6644) Studio Oxford Circus (437 3300) Ernst Lubitsch's acerbic comedy wartime classic about Polish actors outwitting Nazi minions, inoffensively remade as a vehicle for Mel Brooks and his wife Anne Sancroft. The original script's sancron. The original script's brilliant structure survives unaltered (along with much dialogue); the playing is agreeable, provided one forgets Jack Benny and Carole Lombard. Directed by Alan Johnson; with Tim Matheson, Charles Purping José Extrar

Charles Durning, Jose Ferrer. UNDER FIRE (15)
Odeon Marble Arch (723 2011/2)
Three journalists covering the
Nicaraguan revolution in 1979 find
their personal and professional allegiances pushed to breaking point. An old Hollywood plot rattles about in Roger Spottiswoode's thriller like old dried peas in a gleaming new pod. But the action is excitingly staged, and

VERTIGO (PG) Classic Chelsea (352 5096) Electric Screen (formerly Electric Portobello Road) (229 3594) Plaza Piccadilly Circus (437 1234) Long-awaited revival of Hitchcock's 1958 thriller, in which James Stewart's ex-detective with a fear of heights is obsessed and confused by Kim Novak. Sleek and preposterous on the surface, with turbulent emotions bubbling underneath (admirably complemented by Bernard

Spottiswoode finds good use for Nick Nolte's monolithic presence.

the time of going to press. Late changes an often made and it is advisable to check, usin the telephone numbers given.

Herrmann's anguished score).

### Rock & Jazz

GEORGE BENSON Empire Way, Middlesex (902 1234); Tues, National Exhibition Centre, Birmingham A brilliant jazz-funk quiterist and a likable soul singer, Benson puts his own rhythm Section together with the LSO strings on such songs as "This Masquerade", "Nature Boy" and "On Broadway". Last time, at worked beautifully.

**HOWARD JONES** Tonight, Colston Hall, Bristol; tomorrow, St David's Hall, Cardiff; Mon, Guildford Civic Hall; Tues/Wed. Hammersmith Odeon. Queen Caroline Street, London W6 (748 4081); Thurs, Cliffs Pavilion, Southend; Fri, Southampton Gaumont Pale, tousled, wistful little-boy-blue in an outsize overcoat - he is Gilbert O'Sullivan for the Smash

Hits set. ART BLAKEY Tonight and Mon to Sat, Ronnie Scott's Club, 47 Frith Street, London W1 (439 0747) The master drummer brings in the latest edition of the Jazz Messengers, that nonparell college of musical knowledge.

ROGER KELLAWAY

Tonight and Mon to Sat, Pizza on the Park, 11 Knightsbridge, London SW1 (235 5550) This ralented American pianist has turned up in many contexts - as a member of the old Clark Terry-Bot Prookmeyer quintet, for one, and also as a writer of musicals, film scores and ballet pieces. No doubt his solo recitals will reflect these

varied interests. THE KINKS Tamorrow, Poole Arts Centre: Mcn, Hammersmith Palais, 242 Shepherds Bush Road, London W6 (748 2812); Wed, Southampto Gaumont; Fri, Manchester Apolic More popular by far in the United States than at home, Ray Davies's band have responded to the demands of American stadium audiences by turning into a medium-metal band.

LEE KONITZ Tomorrow, Strathallan Hotel, Centre, Brighton; Tues Braunstone Hotel, Leicester; Wed, Vino's Wine Bar, Nottingham; Thurs, Band on the Wall, Manchester, Fri, Queen's Hall, Bradford

From his beginnings with Claude
Thornhill and Lennie Tristano to his
recent duets with Martial Solal and
the work with his own delightful nonet, Konitz has been one of the major jazz voices of the alto saxophone. His accompaniment during this tour will come from the gitted American planist Harold Danko, plus the line British team of Dave Green (bass) and Trevor

IAN DURY Tomorrow, Oxford Apollo Am excellent communicator in any event. Dury should be heard and seen to particular advantage in this celightful theatre - one of the best on the rock-tour circuit.

JORMA KAUKONEN Thurs, Dingwalls, Camden Lock, Chalk Farm Road, London NW1

Those with fond memories of Surrealistic Pillow and After Sathing at Baxter's will probably want to find out what the guitarist who once sounded so creative with Jetterson Airplane has been up to since psychedelia went sour.

#### Concerts

HASSON'S HAVANAISE Wigmore Street, London W1 (935 2141, credit cards 930 9232) Maurice Hasson has put together another unusual violin recital which and Introduction and Rondo Capriccioso, Ravel's Habanera and Tzigane, framed by sonatas from Debussy and Fauré (Op 13).

HANDEL Today, 7.45pm, Queen Elizabeth Hall, South Bank, London SE1 (928 3191, credit cards 928 6544) Charles Farncombe conducts the Handel Orchestra, Handel Opera Chorus and various soloists in Foundling Hospital Concert. This includes the Foundling Hospital
Anthem, excerpts from Solomon, Music for the Royal Fireworks, and Concerto Grosso Op 6 No 10.

BELLE EXCENTRIQUE Tomorrow, 11.30am, Wigmore Hall After Bizet's arrangement of Schumann's *Etudes en Forme de* Canon, Richard Markham and David Nettie's four hands at one piano undertake Satie's riotous le Excentrique. Chabrier's Rouree Fantasque echoes the same cale concert tradition, and Schubert's *Marches Militaires* D 733 are scarcely more serious. OROMONTE ENSEMBLE

Tomorrow, 6.30pm, Conway Hall, Red Lion Square, London WC1 (242 8032) The Oromonte Ensemble plays piano quartets by Mozart and Schumann, and a Trio in F sharp minor by Haydn.

PEZZI PIANISSIMI Tomorrow, 7pm, Purcell Room, South Bank, London SE1 (928 3191, credit cards 928 6544) The Redcliffe Ensemble offers the Pezzi Pianissimi of Benjamin Frankel, and the Clarinet Quartet and Violin Sonata of Alan Rawsthorne, two neglected composers. Frank Bridge's Divertimenti will also be heard, and Paul Patterson's Comedy.

SCHUTZ'S PASSION Tomorrow, 7.30pm, St John's, Smith Square, London SW1 (222 The English Festival Chorus is conducted by Julian Williamson in Schütz's St Matthew Passion.
Wolf's Sechs Geistliche Lieder and

Schoenberg's Friede Auf Erden. LAMBERT RARITY Tomorrow, 7.30pm, Festival Hall, South Bank, London SE1 (928 3191, credit cards 928 6544)
The "Great British Music Festival"
ends with some worthwhile pieces,
including Constant Lambert's rarely performed Music for Orchestra, Holst's coldly disquieting Egdon Heath and Bliss's Checkmate Ballet Suits.

I IGHT TUTINO Mon. 1pm, St John's The world première of Tutino's Light Sonata is sandwiched petween Mozart's C major Adaglo and Rondo and Schoenberg's Kammersymphonie No 1. Conducting the Jan Latham-Koenig Ensemble is Jan Latham-Koenig

MONTEVERDI, GESUALDO Mon, 7.30pm, St John's A few hours later the Schütz Consort of London performs Monteverdi's Lamento d'Arianna and Lagrime d'Amante al Sepolcro dell'Ameta. Then comes Gesualdo s *Responsoria Sabbato* Sancto. Heady stuff.

### **Opposites** brought together

Such polarizations are usually facile, but Richard Strauss and Gustav Mahler can reasonably be spoken of as representing the conservative and radical tendencies respectively within the Austro-German musical tradition in the early years of this century. The juxtaposition of some of their major works in the Philharmonia Orchestra's forthcoming series, "Mahler, Strauss and their influence", should heighten our appreci-

ation of their special qualities. It starts next Tuesday at the Queen Elizabeth Hall with a showing of Ken Russell's film Mahler and the music begins in the Festival Hall 24 hours later Wagner's Tristan and Isolde Prelude, an apt choice, as both Strauss and Mahler were renowned conductors of this opera. The main piece on Wednesday, though, is Mahler's Symphony No I, to which is added Berg's Worneck Fragments, the first of a series of associated works to be included in the six concerts.

HUNGARIAN, HEBREW Tues, 6pm, Purcell Room In the Park Lane Group's Young Artists Series Catherine Wyn-Rogers sings Bartók's Hungarian Songs, Ravel's Hebrew Songs, Matthews's Baudelaire Songs and Berg's Op 2 Songs.

ISSERLIS, EVANS Tues, 7.30pm, Wigmore Hall
A particularly full programme is
oftered by the cellist Staven Isseriis
with Peter Evans (plano): Sonatas by Poulenc and Fauré (Óp 117), Bach's Suite No 5, Schumann's Adagio and Allegro Op 70 and Rachmaninov's seldom-heard CHARACTERISTIC KROOL

Tues, 7.30pm, Purcell Room Krool's Characteristic Pieces among the rarities played by the Delos Quartet. So are Ginasteral Impresiones de la Puna, Foote's Night Piece, Villa-Lobos's Bachianas Brasileiras No 5, Jacob's Prelude and Rondino, Rossini's La Regata Veneziana and Or Johnson's Suite by William



These include Berg's Lulu Suite next Thursday, Webern's Orchestral Piece Op 10 on April 8, his Passacaglia Op I and Schoenberg's Orchestral Pieces Op 16 on April 11. The main Festival Hall items on Thursday, however, will be Strauss's Don Quixote and Mahler's Kindertotenlieder, followed on April 8 in the Queen Elizabeth Hall by Mahler's complete Des Knaben Wunderhorn and Strauss's late Symphony Wind Instruments.

Tues, 7.46pm, Queen Elizabeth Let us hope that in Liszt's

Michael Ponti plays the piano better than on his last visit to London. The rest of this attractiv London Lyric Orchestra concert consists of Haydn's Symphony No 44, Holst's St Paul's Suite and Elgar's Spanish Lady Suite. Omri

BEAN'S BACH Wed, 7.30pm, Wigmore Hall David Bean dares to play Bach the Chromatic Fantasia and Fugue
- on the plano before going on to
Busoni's mysterious Elegies Nos 1,
4 and 6, Listz's Dante Sonata, Chopin's Polonaise Op 26 No 2 and some Schubert Impromptus.

IN THE SOUTH Wed, 7.30pm, St John's Elgar's in the South Overture opens this concert by the Young Musicians' Symphony Orchestra, although the main attraction is Martinu's Symphony No 2, not



Musical highlights: violinist Maurice Hasson (tonight, Wigmore Hall) and Jan Latham-Koenig, conducting his own ensemble lunchtime concert (Monday, St John's, Smith Square)



Poles apart: Gustav Mahler (left) and Richard Strauss

**PREVIEW** Music

The former's "Resurrection" Symphony (No 2) will be given in the Festival Hall on April 11, his Ruckert Lieder in the Queen Elizabeth Hall on April 15 and his Das Lieder von der Erde in the closing Festival Hall programme on April 19. Strauss's Le Bourgeois Gentilhomme and excerpts from Ariadne auf Naxos will be heard on April 15 with Schoenberg's Accompani ment to an Imaginary Film Max Harrison

often performed. Christopher Adey

LAST JUDGEMENT Thurs, 7.45, Queen Elizabeth Hall The Chorus of the Chelsea Harmonic Society combines with the Sinfonia Pro Musica and many soloists under Edward de Rivera in Spohr's The Last Judgement. It's all part of the Spohr bicantenary celebrations.

HANDEL'S PASSION Thurs, 6.30pm, St Anne's, Gresha Street, London EC2 Handel's Brockes Passion, not a work that is performed every day, is heard from Tracey Chadwell, Timothy Wilson, Philip Salmon, Antony Rich, Mark Wildman, Lynton Black and the Lecosaldi Ensemble conducted by Peter Lea

This week's second performance of Saint-Saëns's Havanaise is of Sallicages & Provinces of the given by Carmel Hakendorf, who adds to it violin sonatas by Delius (No 2), Prokofiev (No 2), the Corell Krelsier La Folia, and the world première of Stiles's Eclogue.

ANDREI NIKOLSKY Thurs, 7.45pm, Queen Elizabeth The planist Andrei Nikolsky plays large group of Rachmaninov Preludes, Liszt's Sonata, Prokofiev's Sonata No 7, and some Schubert-Liszt songs. PERSICHILLI'S PETRASSI

Fri, 7.30pm, Wigmore Half Angelo Persichilii offers Petrassi's Romanzetto and other flute pieces such as Casella's Siciliana e Buriesca, Poulenc's Sonata, Clementi's Sonata No 2, J. C. Bach's Sonata No 5, Schubert's disappointing Variations D 802 and the Kurt Weili arrangement of Busoni's Divertimento Op 52.

Films: David Robinson and Geoff Brown; Concerts: Max Harrison; Opera: Hilary Finch; Rock & Jazz: Richard Williams

#### Opera

for a week at the Theatre Royal, handsome sets on Tues and Thurs. absence of six years.
Performances on Tues and Fri. In between, on Mon and Thurs. There are jollier evenings in prospect on Fri in Offenbach's Robinson Crusoe, and on Wed and Apr 7 with Verdi's Falstaff. (0752 Montecchi, the other Romeo and Juliet, in a new production by Pier-Luigi Pizzi. The work has not been **OPERA NORTH** 

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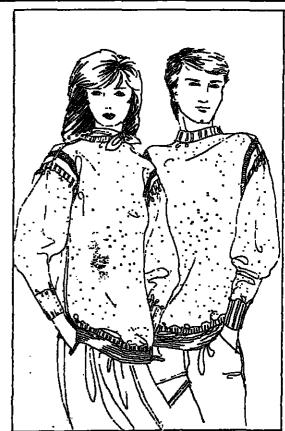
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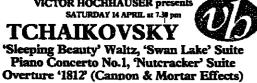
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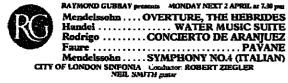
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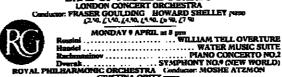
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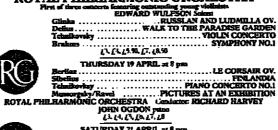
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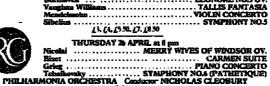








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Chess

#### Stark truth after trail of blunders

I have been much exercised of late by the question of how and why one makes mistakes in chess and more importantly, how to avoid them. I should explain that last year I resumed playing match chess after the brief interval of 17 years. All the property well for some time. went well for some time. I fought my way up from board six to board one and finished up the season with the score of 81/2

Satisfactory enough you might say; but I became a little uneasy at the number of blunders I was committing and my unease has deepened this season with an unusually large crop of them.

So, being, like most chessplayers, a bookish sort of chap, I turned to books to find out why I was making these errors and how I could avoid them. First of all I looked at an

excellent book published a few years ago by George Allen & Unwin, Chess Mistakes, How to Detect and Avoid Them by Andrew Soltis (£5.95). This was well written, entertaining and knowledgeable but it failed to solve my problem. I experi-enced no difficulty in detecting my mistakes. They did not hide from me but came up to me boldly, smitting me fairly and squarely in the solar plexus.

But recognition represents a mere 5 per cent of the problem. This must be a psychological matter. Well and good, there are books on psychology and chess such as grandmaster Nikolai Krogius's Psychology in Chess published about the same time as the book by Soltis (£4.95, by Pitman's). This, with its chapter on some deficiencies of attention and in particular with its last chapter on mistakes and its appendix on the link between age and success, was more to the point but still failed to offer

a solution to my problem. Quite recently, I turned to another well-written and entertaining work, The Psychology of Chess by W. R. Hartston & P. C. Wason (Batsford, £7.95). Since Wason is a well-known and respected psychologist and Hartston an accomplished player and writer, in addition to being an industrial psychologist, the work is undoubtedly a good one and very readable.

Appalling opening play from Sultan Khan

Curiously, both authors are weak on the history of chess. They have, for example, got the case of Sultan Khan, the Indian wonder, quite wrong. They write, correctly, that his opening play was bad even in his best years and appalling by modern advance, that "the level of technique is far higher in the modern game, making it corres-pondingly more difficult to survive without the benefit of theoretical study", is quite

fallacious.

In his early years Sultan Khan knew only the old form of chess in which the pawns could move only one square at a time even at the beginning of the game and in which the pieces were far less mobile than they are today. Hence his adoption of close forms of opening and failure to develop his pieces

rapidly. After much heart-searching I have finally discovered the reason for my blunders. It is simply that I am too old for the game. Though I can still tell a hawk from a handsaw, especially when the wind is in hawk from a handsaw, especially when the wind is in the west, all too often I find that the wind is in the cast

the wind is in the east. I am much encouraged, therefore, by the following game from this year's Wijk-ean-Zee grandmaster tournament, in which the Dutch master, Gert Ligterink, commits a blunder I would have been proud to have

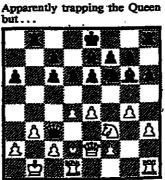
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Starting off with the Nimzo-witsch to the King's Pawn Black soon transposes to a Pirc

2 N-KB3 P-Q3 3 P-Q4 N-B3 4 N-B3 B-N5 6 B-QN5 A move recommended and practised by the Danish grand-master Bent Larsen which is inferior to both B-K3 and P-Q5 since it allows Black to have the

advantage of two Bishops. 5 . . P-QR3 6 BxH ch PxB 7 P-QR2 B-R4 E Q-R2 P-R3 9 P-QN4 B-R3 10 B-N6 B-R2 11 0-0-0 P-R3 12 B-84 And not 12 B-R4 to which Black can reply 12...NxP. 12 . . . C-N1 13 K-N1 C-N5 14 S-B1 R-CM1 15 P-N3 A mistake, and quite a natural one. He thinks that if Black captures the Knight he can trap the Queen by B-Q2. Correct was

simply 15 K-R1. 15 . . . Coll 16 B-02 Apparently trapping the Queen



6... Hupt 17 B-K1 0-0 White resigns since he has no way of capturing the enemy Queen without losing his own. For if 18 R-Q3 Q-B5. Or if 18 N-N1 P-Q4, 19 Q-B1 Q-B5. each other, the garden, the golf course and a goodly quantity of gin. The children will have a ball. Come to that, so would L Most children lucky enough to have grandparents are not

slow to appreciate their value up front with presents and treats, a reassuring alternative lap or shoulder when a parent is otherwise engaged, an oc-casional source of a little more pocket money. Nor does it take them long to discover that the older members of the family, are turning a blind eye to the misdemeanours that parents

We were discussing holidays. "And what". I said to the wife who was planning a second honeymoon, "do you propose to do with the result of the first

not to mention his younger brother and sister?" "No prob-lem", she replied, discarding the

Thailand brochure to pick up a cup of tea," the Aged Parents will have them". For three weeks?" I said. "Sure. The APs will love it and the kids prefer them to us. They'll have a ball."

I know the APs in question, and each at all, but a sprightly.

not aged at all, but a sprightly pair in their early sixties who live in a kind of Dennis Potter

land (sans sinister undertones), apportioning their time between

In fact grandparents are pretty good eggs. So they may be a little slower, but that too has its advantages. Your father can dodge when he sees you coming but grandad usually has time to help you oil a cricket bat, teach you to cast a fly, mend a broken car. Granny doesn't nag about your dirty neck and doesn't shout at you when you make a mess all over the kitchen table. And she doesn't, as some mothers do with their daughters, compete when it comes to looks and clothes, telling you that a dress is too old or too expensive for

But of all the fine attributes possessed by the grandparents –
patience, forbearance, generosity – the one most likely to
earn true gratitude is their
apparent gullibility. Try telling
your mother that it was Teddy who spilt the Ribena all over the sheets, or your father that you scored II goals without any help from the team and you are likely to be met with a beady eye or a smart "don't lie!"

The grandparent, however, will murmur sympathetically or wonder at your prowess. They know, of course, what you are up to: but what you mistake for gullibility is in fact a non-critical acceptance of the need to indulge in a little fantasy.

As the parent responsible for your children's destiny - or so you believe - it often seems of paramount importance that they learn to distinguish fact from fiction. Grandparents, at one remove, often know better, helpmeets, mends and



Family Life

Why grandparents are good eggs

having done it all before and mates and their influence, good made as many mistakes.

One of the nicest grannies I know explained why she is what her daughter describes as soft with her grandchildren: "When you get to my age you should have realized that what goes on in your head and in your imagination is what sees you through. Reality intrudes soon enough and children recognize it when they need to. But they also need to invent, to learn how to 'con' you - after all these are qualities you need to

If that sounds a little cynical, how much more so is the parent's role given by a dear old friend, whose battered face And had the father who gave bears witness to what must be described as a full and varied simply, he could not bear to live didn't spend with your own have laughed a lot. because you were too busy with

I was blessed with an embarrassment of riches, with of childhood that his granny is four grandparents and one great his favourite lady and that his grandmama extant throughout grandad could show Dad a my childhood. All of them were, thing or two. varying degrees, teachers,

and bad, can still be feit.

Which is partly why I mourn the fact that both my parents are dead. And my children must make do with photographs and related memories and accept that no amount of description can bring to life the grandparent who was never known. Had my mother not died when my son was three weeks old he would have been so

much richer - not financially, but through her influence. He would have certainly been better mannered (a stickler, my mother) and more confident (she worked wonders with my youngest stepdaughters and summing up of the grand- numerous great nieces and nephews).

life - three wives, six children, without his wife, been around, I ten grandchildren. So far. suspect that his grandson would "Having grandchildren is like have had a far wider vocabulary being given another chance and general knowledge (for he when you thought you had could out-chip Mr Chips), as exhausted them all. You can try well as a greater acquaintance to make amends for all the with beer, cribbage and shove things you didn't do, time you halfpenny. He would certainly your affairs. And when you've wonderful grandparents on his had enough - you just hand them back!"

As it is, my son has two wonderful grandparents on his father's side. And I am not the slightest bit isology when

slightest bit jealous when he tells me with the brutal honesty

Outings WIND AND SURF ACTION
LEISURE EXHIBITION
Alexandra Pavilion, Wood Green,
London N22. Today and tomorrow,
10 am -6 pm. Adulta £2.50,
children £1.25
All you want to prove or at least

children ET.25
All you want to know, or at least
most of it, about the latest
equipment, accessories, where to
get tuition, costs, holidays – plus
video screenings of those most adept at the sport.

SATURDAY FAMILY SERIES SATURDAY FAMILY SERIES
Birmingham Town HaR (021 236
3889). Today, 7 pm. Single tickets
22-25.50, family tickets for four
£9.50-£17, extra child £1
'For Besthoven fans, a programme
which includes his Egmont
Overture, Violin Concerto and
Symphony No 5. All children under
18 automatically become founder
members of the CBSO Minim Club
if attending a concert for the first if attending a concert for the first time. They should also be able to meet conductor Stanislaw Skrowacewski and soloist Erich Gruenberg.

THE CRACKERJACK SHOW Beck Theatre, Grange Road, Hayes, Middlesex (561 8371). Tomorrow at 3.30pm and 6.30pm Tickets £3.75

Presented by Stu Francis with Julie Dome Brown, a live children's show based on the successful silow based of the accession television formula with lots of audience participation. Crackerlack games include "Pick a Number" and "Take a Chance". There will also be a children's disco dance contest and an appearance by Chrissie and Rose Salmon – otherwise known as Sweet Talk.

CHILDREN OF A LESSER GOD Asheroft Theatre, Fairfield Halls, Croydon (688 9291). Mon to Apr 7 at 7.45pm; mattness Wed 2.30pm, Sat 5pm. Tickets £3.50-£8.50 If you or your older children missed this brilliant play in the West End, here is a chance to catch up with it. Several otherwise unmovable teenagers of my acquaintance were moved to tears when they saw it. Sign language translation at the Saturday matthee.

RAINBOW MAN RAINBOW MAN
Gordon Craig Theatre, Stevenage
Leisure Centre, Stevenage,
Hertfordshire (0438 316291). Tues
to Apr 7; Tues-Thurs 10.15am and
1.30pm, Fri 10.15am, Sat 2.30pm.
Weekday performances, all seats
£1.25 (teachers free); Sat, adults
£2.50, children £1.25
A new musical play for children
presented by Flying Tortoise, the
touring Arts Council company.
Almed particularly at families and
children of 5-11, the show includes
madic, puppers, music, tricks with

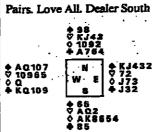
magic, puppets, music, tricks with light and a host of other special effects. **CHURCHILL'S WAR ROOMS** Clive Steps, King Charles Street, London SW1 (930 6961). From Fri, Tues-Sun 10am-5.50pm. Adults

£2, children £1 Opening to the public for the first time as a museum are the most important surviving parts of the underground emergency accommodation provided for Churchill, the War Cabinet and the Chiefs of Staff of Britain and the United States during the Second

Judy Froshaug World War.

# A chance boldly seized, but is it bridge?

Some people dismiss Pairs contests, with their exaggerated emphasis on over-tricks, as an artificial form of bridge. There is much to be said for that point of view, but the special con-ditions which apply undoubtedly afford opportunities for skilful play.



Double 1♥ 2♦ 3♦ No No 

The auction contained several aggressive bids, typical of the Pairs game. At most forms of scoring West, having doubled on the first round, should leave any further enterprise to his partner, and South would have little excuse to proceed to four diamonds

South won the opening lead South won the opening lead with dummy's \$\Phi\$A When he played a diamond to his \$\Omega \text{K}\$ and West contributed the \$\Omega \text{Q}\$. South paused to reconsider his initial plan. Taking the diamond suit in isolation the percentages favour a finesse against East. At either Teams or Rubber bridge that would probably be the correct continuation. But one of the secrets of ation. But one of the secrets of success at Pairs is to relate your line of play to the probable results at the other tables.

South's decision to bid four diamonds was marginal, so he could legitimately suppose that the contract at several tables would be three spades by East-West. If the diamonds were 3-1 then three spades would succeed unless the hearts were 3-3. On that basis South cashed the Ace of diamonds and turned to the hearts, in the hope of

obtaining a discard. Provided that the hearts were 3-3 or that East had four hearts, he would still have succeeded. On this occasion he was defeated. South's plan was eminently correct for two reasons. First of all he had two strings to his bow, the diamond break or the heart break. More potently he calculated that if both chances

failed he might lose to those

North-South pairs who were

Harry Golombek | playing in diamonds, but he

would be sure to beat all the North-Souths who were defending against three spades. They would make only two hearts and the two minor aces, and minus 50 is of course a better South's rebid would be unparscore than minus 140. one than minus 140.

On the second hand declarer aware that he needed some top

had to apply the same sort of convoluted reasoning. Pairs. Game All. Dealer South.



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No No Opening lead VQ three of whichever minor he elects to establish. Plus 630 makes poor reading compared

scores to hold any chance. The appearance of dummy base confirmed his worst fears. The tion.

In three no trumps the heart lead had given the desence an invaluable tempo. South can knock out one minor ace but not both before the defenders enjoy their hearts. It appears

There was only one hope, which south seized bravely. Assume the spades break badly, and base the play on that presumpwhose field could be expected to be playing in four spades. With a normal spade break they would lose only the two minor aces, making 650 points. the declarer in four spades. Plus

630 was a complete top. C'est

that his maximum expectation

is five spades, two hearts and

three of whichever minor he

with a long string of plus 650s.

magnifique, mais ce n'est pas le bridge? Jeremy Flint

### CONCISE CROSSWORD (No 306)

Prizes of the New Collins Concise English dictionary will be given for the first two correct solutions opened on Thursday, April 5, 1984. Entries should be addressed to The Times Concise Crossword Competition, 12 Coley Street, London WC99 9YT. The winners and solution will be announced on Saturday, April 7, 1984.



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SOLUTION TO No 305
ACROSS: 1 Kingpin 5 Polls 8 EVA 9 Backlog
10 Reamp 11 Veer 12 Senator 14 Metamorphosis
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23 End 24 Ruler 25 Eclogue
DOWN: 1 Kibe 2 Niche 3 Pilgrim Father
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18 Stretch (6) 20 Mere
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22 Decked jetty (4) Concise SOLUTION TO No 300 (last Saturday's prize concise)

ACROSS: 1 Salic 4 Begorra 8 Equal 9 Seasick 10 Platelet 11 Boor
13 Gopak 15 Waist 19 Mute 20 Vignette 23 Limpopo 24 Bilge
25 Tempter 26 Lay by
DOWN: 1 Sherpa 2 Laura 3 Cul de sac 4 Busker 5 Goal 6 Ruinous,
7 Askari 12 Cannibal 14 Optimum 16 Arnulet 17 Vigour 18 Celery

21 Tally 22 Wont The winners of prize concise No 300 are: Mrs Mary Collier, 28 Ickwell Green, Near Biggleswade, Bedfordshire; and Miss E. Davies, 27 Chiltern Drive, Hale, Altrincham, Cheshire.

The Times Prize Jumbo Crossword with an additional set of concise clues will appear in Saturday on April 21



COMPETITION Daily winners of the competition, and the booksellers who supplied their entry forms, for the period 25 to 31 March are as follows:

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THE TIMES

GRAND NATIONAL: This afternoon's race is particularly significant for two trainers. Michael Dickinson, who has won every important steeplechase except the tional, hopes to break his duck with either Ashley House or Carls Wager. while Mrs Jenny Pitman is fielding last year's winner. Corbiere, and going for the National and Cheltenham Gold Cup double last achieved in 1976 by the late Fred Rimell. Live coverage from Aintree, BBC1, 3.20pm.

SRASS FOR CHARITY: The London Brass Virtuosi, under its founder/conductor David Honeyball, in a programme which ranges from solo trumpet pieces by Purcell and Clarke to chamber jazz miniatures written for Duke Ellington and the film music of John Williams. In aid of multiple sclerosis. Christ Church, Hampstead Square, London NW3, 7.30pm. For information telephone:

HANDEL IN LONDON: A series of ranuel in London: A series of special concerts, opera performances, lectures, symposia and other events, including an eighteenth-century masque in the gardens of the Victoria and Albert Museum, to mark the bi-centenary of the Great Handel Commemoration of 1784 which in turn marked the 25th anniversery of the composer's death anniversary of the composer's death. The celebration starts tonight with a Concert in the Queen Elizabeth Half (see Concerts, page 17) and continues until Nov. Information from Jeffery Lacey. Royal Society of Musicians (01-493 7463 or 01-549 9583).

SNAPPING OUT: The Saturday Night Theatre production is a play by Martin Worth based on the true story of Susan Swatland, a physical education student who defected to the Unification Church of Sun Myung Moon (the Moonles) and was discovered by her parents living a life of near-slavery in San Francisco. Susan is played by Lesley Dunlop. Radio 4, 8.30-10 pm.

#### Tomorrow

SILVER ON SHOW: A selection of silver objects from the Edwardian oecods goes on display in the State Rooms and Great Hall of Burghley House, Stamford, Lincolnshire. Most of the pieces have not been seen in public for many years and include a Philip Rollas (c 1710) which is five feet long. Until Oct 7, Mon-Sat 11am-5pm, Sun and Good Friday 2-5pm. Admission to houses and exhibition 22.50;

#### Monday

reductions for children.

THOMAS IN THE CITY: A collection of 25 bold and imaginative paintings and drawings by art teacher David Cheepen. They include "Thomas in the City", a ezutiful image, measuring about 5in by

5in and crafted with immense delicacy, of a cat superimposed on St Paul's Cathedral, and "Receiving Instruction" a striking self-portrait. Cheepen says of his work: "I paint as a child would paint if he or she could paint as I paint." Portal Gallery, 16a Grafton Street, London W1 (01-629 3506). Until Apr 19, Mon-Fri 10am-5.45pm, Sat 11am-2pm. Free.

LONDON ISNROLLED: A colourful panoramic print rolls from a screw-top box to show a 14ft-long view of the Thames from Vauxhall Bridge to the Tower in 1822. This rare item in a sale of fine decorative prints is expected to fetch about £1,000. panorama of Sigmouth, Devon, in 1815, framed despite its 9ft length, is expected to sell for £600. The star lot is an album of Swiss views, estimated at £10,000. Philips, Blenheim Street, London W1 (01-629 6602) at 11am and

#### Tuesday

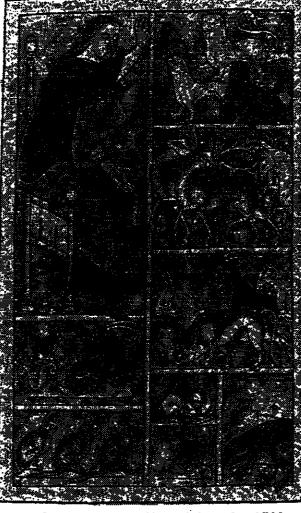
**GOTHIC ART: Thirty Gothic** wood carvings and Old Master paintings from the collection of Dr Peter Hierzenberger of Vienna come for sale today and tomorrow. The period is appreciated most in Germany nowadays and the collection nowadays and the collection demonstrates a Germanic eye at work. The most distinguished carving is a large limewood Virgin and Child (c1480) of the Brixen school. Among the paintings is a Jan de Beer "Adoration of the Magi" (c 1520). Sotheby's, Bond Street, London W1 (01-493 8080), 10.30am.

**ROMAN BOBERT: Red chalk drawings** of Rome and its environs by Herbert Robert demonstrate the artist's Robert demonstrate the artist's enjoyment of the great southern capital and show how little Rome has changed since the eighteenth century. Today's sale also includes two charming sketches in the Roman campagna by Varivitelli, as well as important figure drawings by Tintoretto and Tiepolo. Christle's, 8 King Street, London SW1 (01-839 9060), 11am.

STRANGE INTERLUDE: Eugene O'Neili's five-hour play about one wonan's search for identity over 30 years. Glenda Jackson, Edward Petherbridge, Brian Cox and James Hazeidine; directed by Keith Hack. Duke of York's (01-836 5122). Previews today, Wed, Thurs at 6 pm, opens Fri at 6 pm. Mon-Sat at 6 pm, no matinées. THE CLANDESTINE MARRIAGE: Inaugural production of Anthony Quayle's Compass Company (see page

QUBOOL KIYA MAIN NE: In English/ QUBOOL KIYA MAIN NE: In English, Do., I Do., this is a Hindustani-language play by Mujeeb Siddiqui, the first Asian play to get a run in a major London theatre. Indian stage star Himayatullah has come over to take a leading role in this come which looks at the nas come over to take a leading fole in this comedy which looks at the problems of arranged marriages and old and lonely Aslans in Britain. Shaw Theatre, 100 Euston Road, London NW1 (01-388 7727). Opens today at 7.30 pm. Until Apr 7, Tues-Sat at 7.30 pm; matinee Sat at 3.30 pm.

KING: The Play For Today. by Barrie Keeffe, on of our most incisive young dramatists, is about a Jamaican-born train driver who has spent a happy life in England but plans, in retirement, to return to his native country. But when he proposes to hand over the deeds of his house to his two daughters, their reaction is not what he expects. Thomas Baptists plays Mr King, with Josette Simon and Ella Wilder as the girls. BBC1, 9.25-10.45pm.



Norman bequests: From the Hayward Gallery's exhibition of English Romanesque art, a folio from a Bestiary of about 1200 showing Adam naming the animals, and a Queen from the twelfth-century Lewis Chessmen (Thursday)

#### Wednesday

A WEAVER'S LIFE: ETHEL MAIRET: One of the major and figures in the British arts and crafts movement during the first half of this century, Ethel Mairet was influential in many areas connected with textiles and weaving, both through her writings and the example of her own work. She was also a famous collector and an important teacher. This show is based on the large collection of garments, lengths of cloth; samples, photographs, diarles and miscellaneous papers she Left when she died in 1952. Crafts
Council Gallery, 12 Waterloo Place,
Lower Regent Street, London SW1 (01930 4811). Until May 27, Tues-Sat 10am-5pm, Sun 2-5pm.

A CIRCLE: PORTRAITS AND SELF-PORTRAITS: Avigdor Arikha, Frank Auerbach, Lucien Freud and R. B. Kitaj are foreign figurative artists who are mutual friends and have made London an important centre for their work. This exhibition of prints and drawings from the past decade finds common ground in each artist's interest in the human face and his use of immediate family or close friends as sitters. Mariborough Graphics, 39 Old Bond Street, London W1 (629 5161). Until May 12, Mon-Fri 10am-5.30pm; Sat 10am-12.30pm. Free.

BARNETT FREEDMAN: Though Freedman's book illustrations remain well-known, most of his other work paintings, drawings, lithographs – has been quite neglected since his death in 1958. Now they have been taken out from storage and are being shown again, revealing an artist of rare integrity and consistency, whose vision remained constant whatever medium of fine or decorative art he was working in. Gillian Jason Gallery, 42 Inverness Street, London NW1 (267 4835). Until May 18, Tues-Sat 10,30am-5.30pm.

MASTER PAINTINGS: Works by Carpaccio are very rarely seen on the market and the "Virgin and Child with Saints" in an Old Master and Child with Sauris in an Old Master painting sale today is expected to fetch £300,000-£400,000. The sale also boasts "Allegory of Winter and Summer" by Prittoni, a flower still-life by Jan van Huysum and a skating scene by Aelbert Cuyp. Sotheby's, Bond Street, London W1 (01-493-8080) at 11am.

CRIES FROM THE MAMMAL HOUSE: New play by Terry Johnson (author of Insignificance), about a journey from a penniless zoo on the south coast, to Mauritius and back. Cast includes Roger Rees, David Lyon, Jennie Stoller, Leo Wringer, Nizwar Karanj, directed by Phil Young (author of *Crystal Clear*). Opens at the Royal Court in May, Leicester Haymarket Studio (0533 539797). Preview today at 7.45pm, opens tomorrow at 7.45pm. Until Apr 28, Mon-Thur at 7.45pm, Fri and Sat at 8.15pm.

CAMILLE: New play by Pam Gems, based on the Dumas story, La Dame aux Camelias, with music by Liszt and choreography by Anthony van Laast.
Francas Barber plays the heroine,
Marguerite Gautier; Nicholas Farrell is
Armand Duval; and Polly James is Prudence. Directed by Ron Daniels. The

Other Place, Stratford-upon-Avon (0789 295623). Today-Fri at 7.30pm. In

BRITISH FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP: After being outpleyed by the French in Paris recently, England will be hoping to put on a more convincing display against a Northern Ireland team which, though largely drawn from the lower divisions of the league, has a habit of rising to the occasion. There is live commentary from Wembley on Radio 2, from 7.30pm, and television highlights on Midweek Sports Special, ITV, from 10.40pm.

SIXTY YEARS OF SCHOOL RADIO: The first broadcast for schools was a music lecture from Savoy Hill by Sir Walford Davies on April 4, 1924. John Dunn tells the story of the service, with reminiscences from writers, actors and producers and extracts from famous series like How Things Began, Singing Together and Rhoda Power Stories From World History, and looks at plans for the future. Radio 4, 8-45-9.45pm.

#### Thursday

ROLLERCOASTER: A new three-hour live programme starts an experimental run on Radio 4. Presented by Richard Baker, it incorporates the existing Daily Service and Morning Story but also includes a chat show, outside broadcasts and an examination of an issue of the

invited to give their views. The programme will run every Thursday for six months and then be assessed in the light of audience reaction. Radio 4, 9am-noon.

M ENGLISH ROMANESQUE ART 1056-1200: Artistic activity in Norman England produced such great illuminated manuscripts as the Winchester Bible; the richly coloured stained glass of Canterbury Cathedral. the gilt Gloucester Candlestick and the finely carved ivory Bury St Edmunds Cross, as well as sculpture to embelifish the new churches. The finest surviving works are exhibited, together with art audio-visual programme on the buildings for which they were made. Hayward Gallery, South Bank, London SE1 (01-928 3144). Until July 8, Mon-Wed 10am 8pm; Thurs Set 10am 6pm; Sun noon 6pm, Adults 22; students, schoolchildren, unwaged, pensioners £1; Tues and Wed 6-8pm and all day

VIOLINCELLOS GALORE: There is a fine range of cellos for sale, not too heavily priced. The star item is an Italian cello of 1878 by Enrico Rocca (estimate £10,000-£12,000) but cheaper ones are a Paul Bailly of 1898 (£7,000-£9,000) or a German cello of around 1875 (£1,000-£1,500). The sale also has an interesting section of eighteentir-century printed music, all estimated at well below £100. Christle's, 8 King Street, London SW1 (01-839 9060) at 11am.

THE BRITISH INTERNATIONAL ANTIQUES FAIR: The opening ceremony is being performed by the Marquess of Heritard at noon but buying and selling will start an hour before. There are 80 stands displaying antiques of all kinds: furniture is pre-1840 and all other items pre-1884, with the exception of carpets which are prethe exception of carpets which are pre-1900. National Exhibition Centre, Birmingham. Until Apr 11, Mon-Sat 11am-9pm, Sun and Apr 11, 11am-6pm Admission £3 on the first day, then £2. For information telephone: 021 780

THE COUNTRY GIRLS: Desmond Davis's film traces the lives of two Irish girls from schooldays to adulthood during the 1950s. With Maeve Germaine, Jill Goyle and Sam Nell. Cert PG. Minema, Knightsbridge (235 4225/6).

THE MERCHANT OF VENICE: A new production by the Royal Shakespeare Company, directed by John Caird. With Ian McDiarmid as Shylock and Frances Tomelty as Portia. Royal Shakespeare Theatre, Stratford-upon-Avon (0789 295623). Previews today and Fri at 7.30pm. In repertory.

BREAKNECK: Vince Foxall's play abut-Ruth Ellis is developed from a one-woman piece and a later full-length play on the subject of the last woman to be on the subject of the last woman to be executed in Britain. She was convicted of shooting her lover and died in 1955. Philip Hediey directs Mary Maddox as Ruth. Theatre Royal, Stratford East, London E15 (01-534 0310). Previews today, Fri, Apr 7 at 8pm, opens Apr 9 at 7.30pm. Until May 5, Mon-Sat at 8pm.

#### Friday

ARTISTS IN CAMERA: Photographic studios proliferated during the Victorian period and any famous person was likely to be photographed for family and friends or to satisfy the public's curiosity. Those in the art world were no exception. This exhibition concentrates

on photographs of Victorian painters, their families, studios and models. A large section on the Pre-Raphgelite Brotherhood includes some rare photographs of Holman Hunt from his own family collection. The Victorian Art World in Photographs, National Portrait Gallery, 2 St Martins Place, London WC2 (01-930 1552), Unit

June 24, Mon-Fri 10am-5pm; Sat 10am-6pm; Sun 2-6pm. Free. DUE TO AN ACT OF GOD: Intelligent, low-budget drama, shown at last year's London Film Festival; examining the human muddle that follows a nuclear accident in a rural pocket of West Germany, Partly financed by two German television stations, who subsequently refused to transmit it. Directed by Rainer Boldt, with Renate Schroeter, Wigand Witting, Johanna Rudolph. Provocatively programmed with the shortened version of Leni Riefenstahl's Nazi congress film Triumph of the Will (1936). Cert 15.

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VENICE PRESERV'D: Thomas Otway's play was written in 1682 and depicts a conspiracy to overthrow a republic. It is one of our most frequently revived tragedies, apart from Shakespeare. This National Theatre production is directed by Peter Theatre production is uirected by Petar Gill, with a cast including Ian McKelten, Michael Pennington, Jane Lapotaire, Brewster Mason and Hugh Paddick, Lyttelton (01-928 2252). Previews today, Apr 7, Apr 9-11 at 7.45pm, opens Apr 12 at 7pm. In repertory.

Everyman Cinema, London NW3 (01-435 1525). Until Apr 14.

PEG: New musical with music and lyrics by David Heneker, book by Robin Miler, Heart by J. Harriey Manners: Sim
Phillips, Edward Duke, Martin Smith,
and Broadway star Arm Morrison in the
title role, lead in the tale of a poor title role, lead in the tale of a pour American girl introduced into English society in 1913. Phoenix (01-836 2294/5/ 8611). Previews today at 8pm, Apr 7 at 5pm and 8.30pm, Apr 9-11 at 8pm. Opens Apr 12 at 7pm. Mon Fri at 8pm, Sat at 5pm and 8.30pm; matthées Thurs at 3pm (not Apr 12):

HAMLET: Simon Cadell takes the title role, with Malcolm Tierney, Sylvia Kay and Peter Howell as Claudius, Gertrude and Polonius respectively, directed by Peter Farago. Birmingham Repertory (021 236 4455). Preview today and Apr 7 at 7.30pm and 8pm, opens Apr 9 at 7.30pm, Until May 5, Mon-Fri at 7.30pm, Sat at 6pm; matinees Thurs at 2.30pm, Sat at 4pm.



French connexion: Pam Gems, author of Camille (see Wednesday)

#### At Home/Photography

# Make light work of portraits with a flashgun

Metallized reflectors, umbrellas, that a moving subject will blur passport pictures are invariably, are too high or far away, a piece might melt the plastic) and honevcomb diffusers, booms the paraphernalia photographer, the results are Taking portraits in the more

relaxed atmosphere of a sitting and tungsten, but accurate as it room is one answer. A vast агтау of lighting may give technical perfection, but the lar, the heat from the glaring qualities of daylight are hard to lights makes life very unbeat. Generous light from a comfortable for the subject. window or two and a moderately powerful flashgun will allow for perfectly good indoor pictures. What the pictures may lack technically, they more than make up for in spontaneity.

in general reflectors are a strong shadow contrast, giving reasonably cheap solution strength and depth to the where more exact control of the portrait. lighting is desired. The light they give off is continuous and

at a reasonable aperture of the Inwith lights dangling from them addition, daylight cannot be mixed with tungsten lighting if associated with a session in the accurate colour photography is professional photographer's the intention. A blue 80A or studio are unlikely to put the 80B daylight-to-artificial-light noor subject at case. Sadly, filter is also necessary with film despite sterling efforts by the which is balanced for daylight. or you must purchase film often disappointing pinched balanced specially for tungsten expressions and nervous smiles. light. With black-and-white film it is possible to mix daylight is tungsten lighting has considerable drawbacks; in particu-

A mixture of daylight and electronic flash is more versatile and here, there are ways of prejudging the effects of fill-in flash. For instance, ask your subject to sit or stand near the Alternatively, tungsten photo- window. The strong directional flood lights of about 1.275 watts angle of the light will create

Next, examine from different angles the way that the light falls. In general, faces in semiwill not vary.

When using photofloods, however, you should remember full on. It is not an accident that

unflattering.
As with all composition, keep the geometry and the background simple and use the diagonals within the frame to create a sense of tension. With an idea of how the picture will look, shoot a few frames with available light only and the subject static, as a reference. If, as is likely, the contrast

created by a single light source proves too "dramatic" for photographer and subject, a simple way exists to reduce the density of shadow on that side of the face. Place a piece of white card next to the shadowed area - in other words, opposite the source of light - and this will reflect light back on to the shadow and reduce the contrast. A flash unit - known as a 'slave" - could also be placed behind the subject to give outline to his hair.

If this is insufficient, then it is time to consider fill-in flash light. Direct flash will cause an unpleasant shadowy rim behind the subject; the light must be diffused. The easiest way to do this is by "bouncing" flash light off the ceiling or wall. If these

white card will do A word of warning. Deep set

eyes cause problems when flash light is bounced off the ceiling. harsh shadows form under the eyes. In such a case, bounce the light off a piece of card placed lower down so as to throw some light into the eye sockets. Otherwise, off-camera direct-

flash can be used in conjunction with a black background to absorb shadow, provided it is possible to adjust the manual setting to ¼ to 1/16 of full power. If not, a less predictable method is to place a clean white handkerchief over the flash head or a sheet of tracing paper in the path of the flash. Reflections from spectacles

also present an obstacle. Tilt them forward a little to change the angle of reflection, and the obstacle is removed.

Judging precisely what the result of fill-in flash will look like depends on the ratio of the main source of light to that of the flash. A notion of the final image can be gained by placing a small "modelling light" of say 100 watts as near as possible to

the flash (not too close or it

almost closed eyes. If nothing elsc, this should amuse your

Finally, there is that all important ingredient - ex-pression. While setting up the 'studio", talk to your subject. Observe closely his mannerisms and look for any characteristic facial movements. Later on, it may help to ask someone else to do the talking so you can concentrate on pressing the button at the right moment. Most people move backwards and forwards in conversation and you will find it easier to move the camera backwards and forwards in time with them rather than constantly refocusing. Provided of course, that the camera is not mounted on a

Working in a more informal way, as I have suggested, may feel unpredictable or frustrating at the time, but the chances are that the outcome will be a memorable portrait, full of character, and not merely a perfectly lit pose.

Roy Cuckow

#### Out and About/Riding

# Slinking into heaven on horseback

photographer Brian Harris of The Times used natural light from a window

"Slinking into heaven" is how used to compose his sermons. One of the things I love about forests, and what better way to do this than on horseback? One wishing of the said that God was better do this than on horseback? One of our horses went lame on the ride. We took it as a of the most appealing things about trees is their air of secrecy and mystery. Once you have leaving the Blackwater River of a formal jumping lesson take entered a forest, there is behind us, the most striking things, quite literally, in their something deliciously furtive about your progress.

my ride - a forest made up of dark it is almost like night, to And there's that feeling that some 30 blocks of woodland, mainly pine, straddling the extensive tree felling. The peace Hampshire-Berkshire border, was heavenly. The sandy soil, Amber was my horse, and with its light covering of pine Kathy my escort, for a two-hour inecdles and fern, acts as a kind back around the plantation.

far from woodland. After Surrey and West Sussex, it is the most behind you. densely wooded English county, described by Daniel Defoe in 1724 as "one inexhaustible store-house of timber".

At around 50 years old. Bramshill is a relatively young a horse you are in a good forest, and fairly typical of those planted in the 1920s by the newly established Forestry people on horseback than by Commission. The terrain is people on foot, and in Bramshill largely heathland and heather, which is why it is mainly a pine forest. Only very old forests the occasional stoat.

enough to support hardwoods. The village of Eversley, our keen rider and huntsman who breed.

church.

and went in close on the face to exclude all background for this simple but bonest portrait of actor
John Thaw. The smoke ring was luck. 55mm lens, 1/60 sec at f4, using Tri-X

thing was the variety of scenery stride in the forest. It is actually from the mysterious depths of more difficult to avoid a jump I had chosen Bramshill for the interior, which can be so than to jump it in some cases. the exposed plains left bare by even if you do fall, there's often of blanket which seems to soak. In Hampshire you are never up all the sound. You can't even hear the hooves of the horse

> is dawn. Most wild animals will avoid coming out to feed in broad daylight, preferring early morning or late evening, and on their unsuspecting passengers a

position to see them. They're less likely to be disturbed by you can see rabbits, badgers. several types of deer, and even

The best place to see them is on the edge of the forest, while butterflies prefer the interior. Butterflies love woodland: it is starting point, was once the Butterflies love woodland; it is home of Charles Kingsley, a the ideal location for them to

jumping. Riders who might be a As we entered the forest, little intimidated by the thought

a carpet of moss to cushion the

Our ride was a large one - 10 of us - and we split up into groups of twos and threes for a fast canter, to avoid what could have turned into a cavalry charge through the under-The best time for forest riding growth. Horses love to race, and pay little attention to the fact that some overhanging branches are finely positioned for giving

> sock in the eye. Hanging branches are, of course, an occupational hazard of this type of riding country. and you are not going to be you disobey. "There is nothing popular of peu pull them aside. merely to let them spring back into the next rider's face. Keep your distance, both in front and

behind. Only on the stonier tracks, around the edge, did we have to at that nasty in-between stage,

warning. Our route took us near

Bramshill House, designed originally for James I's son Henry, now the police training college. The trees here are thought to be the first Scots pines in England, planted by James I. Longer rides go on to Yateley, and Hartley Wininey by way of Hazeley Heath, but we headed back towards the river, returning via New Mill Ford - to wash the mud off the horses' feet. Despite warnings that fords in winter can cause chapped hecis, Bramshill riders have had problems with mud fever, so it's best to wash the

mud away.
There are few restrictions on riding in forests. The most important is that you have to stick to the existing tracks. In some forests, this is a bye-law, and you will be turned out if more efficient than the shodded horse's hoof as an excavator of the ground", Ralph Hodgson, the chief forester at Bramshill, told me. It digs up the surface, which can expose tree roots to damage and disease. It is best to avoid areas of

Muddied waters: Riders from the Rycroft Stables in Eversley wade through the New Mill Ford

And steer clear of tree-felling operations, which are always dangers of falling timber, the sound of the chainsaw can frighten your horse into bolting. most forests. At Bramshill, you Otherwise, the usual forest are issued with a one-year

forest; and do not erect jumps where other less experienced clearly marked. Apart from the riders may choose the same route,

ploughing and planting, and rules apply: don't cause damage. permit, which comes with a tag

quarries. Deep holes and ridges disturb wildlife, or drop litter, to display on your bridle. Not left by heavy lorries and be aware of fire risk; show that you would be shot for machinery are obvious hazards. courtesy to other users of the innocently riding through without one, but a forester has a fair idea of who is trying to avoid payment, and showing a clean pair of heels at a fast rallop is You need a riding permit for not the way to behave should

Anne Whitehouse

#### Easy paths through the forest Stables offering hacking in Bramshill Forest: Rycroft Stables.

New Mill Lane, Eversley, Hampshire (0734 732761). Hacking

£6.50 per hour. Also lunch rides through the forest, stopping at local inns. Wellington Riding. Basingstoke Road, Heckfield. Basingstoke, Hampshire (073 583308). Hacking in the lorest £6.25 per hour. The Forestry Commission publishes a series of maps, See your forests, which indicate which forests have bridle routes. These include Queen Elizabeth country park, Hampshire (six miles of horse riding trails, and rides along the South Downs Way); Alice Holt, Hampshire (ancient royal hunting forest including the historic Waterloo Oaks planted at Nelson's request to build ships for the navy). Dean Forest Park (Gloucestershire), Chiltem (Buckinghamshire), Shipboume (Kent), Wymersley (Northampton), Cropton (North Yorkshire), Trails for riders are usually marked by

colour marker posts. For a permit, contact the forester in charge (via park centres). Full details on maps from Forestry Commission, 231 Constorph Road, Edinburgh EH12 7AT. Permits for Bramshill Common cost £14 from Forestry Commission Office, Bucks Horn

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Sterling's trade-weighte value against a basket of currencies fell to the lowest for \$
year yesterday, closing 0.3 down

year vesterday, closing 0.3 down at 80.1. Dealers reported some commercial selling of sterling and with the dollar firming slightly in thin pre-weekend trading, the pound lost half a cent to \$1.4425. Against the Dentsche mark it eased 1.75 pfennigs to DM3.7375.

The dollar was helped by the transporters.

short-covering and nervousness over Argentina's debts. It closed one-third of a pfennig up at DM

STOCK EXCHANGES

FT-SE 100 Index: 1112.5 down 1.1: day's high: 1114.4, low: 1110.1 == FT Index: 877.0 down 4.8 FT Gilts: 83.19 down 0.06

Index: 113.8 up 0.1 New York: Dow Jones Industrial Average: (latest) 1167,92 down

Tokyo: Nikkei Dow Jones Index

Bargains: 28,420 Datastream USM Leaders

# FINANCE AND INDUSTRY

**Executive Editor Kenneth Fleet** 

# First Leisure comes to expectant market

Lord Delfont, the impressario who at 74 clearly knows the secret of everlasting youth, is bringing First Leisure Corporation to the stock market just 18 months after he organized the buy-out of the business from Trusthouse Forte, and several years before even he expected the shares to have a full listing. First Leisure is a unique investment vehicle in this country (there is no second leisure) and if that were not enough to guarantee the success of the issue, the market scents that an exciting deal is in the offing (the market is not wrong). With ill-concealed enthusiams. Lord Delfont explains that he can't say anything. "If I did, it would have to go into the prospectus". Discussions have taken place with a US holiday firm (not the big deal) and with his contacts throughout the show-business world, offers pour in daily.

In the here and now, according to Mr James Naylor, managing director of the piers, entertainment and leisure division, most of the businesses are running very efficiently and we will have another good year, I'm sure. To expand we knew we had to get our gearing down and be able to trade our stock".

First Leisure is thus raising money: £10.8m from the offer for sale through Cazenove and Hill Samuel of six million new £1 shares. Shareholders including London Merchant Securities, Trusthouse Forte. Anglia Television and Investors In industry who backed Lord Delfont at the time of the buyout at £1 per share, are already looking at a profit. Wisely they are not taking it. The market is suggesting the shares will start handsomely above the offer price of 180p a share in early dealings. to 210p or even 225p. At the offer price First Leisure has a stock market capitalization of £44m. Dealings begin on Thursday week.

The sale proceeds of the offer will be used initally to reduce borrowings. As a result First Leisure will be virtually ungeared, with net asset backing of 156 per share, a capability to borrow around £20m and £8.5 million autorized but unissured shares worth a further £15m at the offer price.

Lord Delfont not making a profits forecast with the issue because the larger part of the group's profits comes in the second half of the financial year which finishes at the end of October. The first half year finishes just a fortnight after the company is floated.

Last year the group made a pretax profit of £4.49m after an interest charge of £1.95m. At the trading level profits jumped from £4.3m to £7.2m on a turnover which had risen from £36.4m to £41.9m The aggregates disguise the fact that profits from live entertainment, mainly from two London theatres, have more than halved over five years to £163,000. The profits growth, has come from piers entertainment and leisure centres which have benefited from a strict approach to staffing particularly at the Blackpool Tower.

Success will also mean wealth for the directors who have been given the chance to buy 250,000 shares at £1 each, providing the stock market price reaches certain targets. Over the period to the end of March 1989, the targets range from 160p to 475p. John Tonlan, Mr Naylor, Mr Richard Mills and Mr Richard Watt, thus have every incentive to justify the faith the master has in them.

At the offer price, First Leisure is on a fairly undemanding 15 times carnings. The board has promised to pay a net total dividend of 6p, giving the shares a prospective gross yield of 4.8 per cent. They will be in great demand.

#### Inscrutable logic of Jardine

Central Independent Television has become the first of the independent television con-

tractors to set up its own

production company called

Zenith to made films for sale to

a wider market.

Mr Bob Phillis, Central's

managing director, yesterday

said the television companies

made programmes but only sold

air space. He believes that future revenue must be derived

from selling more programmes such as Central's Kennedy

series to other channels, especially in the US.

Zenith has about 10 projects in the pipeline with the first sales expected in June.

● Continental Illinois is realizing \$1.76m with the sale of

its \$820m credit card business to Chemical Bank of New York.

The deal will leave Chemical

with about 2 million cardholders in 50 states in the US. Continental, which has been

hard hit by energy lending problems has been considering

the sale of Town and Country.

the credit card business, for

News Interantional, owners of The Times and The Sunday Times, has appointed Mr P W

Siehrenberger as finance direc-

To readers of the James Clavell novels, Tai-pan and Noble House, this week's developments in Hongkong will have a familiar ring. Jardine, Matheson, the oldest Hong of them all, surrounded by swirling legends of Chinese opium smug-

**NEWS IN BRIEF** 

**Central TV forms** 

film subsidiary

tor and company secretary. He replaces Mr P R Ekberg, who will remain on the board in an

advisory capacity. The change takes place with effect from April 1. News Corporation owns 100 per cent of News International's voting shares and 87.9 per cent of the non-voting shares

Pifco Holdings is paying an unchanged interim dividend of

1.76p for the six months to October 31 last on pretax profits down from £541,000 to £501,000. Investment income is

up from £265,000 to £269,000,

but the board described the results as disappointing. Sales demand has been erratic and

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Leyland Paints has been given a £1.7m cash injection by

consortium of institutions

which have taken a 37 per cent shareholding. The move follows further losses last year of £1.4m

Hitachi said yesterday it had

acquired full ownership of GEC-Hitachi Television, a joint

television-making venture in Britain, by buying the 50 per cent share of its partner,

General Electric Co of Britain.

Terms were not disclosed.

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profits have suffered.

against a loss of £3m.

voting shares.



Lord Delfont: ill-concealed enthusiasm.

gling and the backdoors deals which gave the island to the British Government admitted that its profits had fallen by 80 per cent last year. Then, in the type of tactical somersault which puntuates the Clavell novels, the new tai-pan Mr Simon Keswick, announced that shares in Jardine, Matheson would be exchanged for shares in a new parent company based in Bermuda.

The shock could hardly have been greater. Mr Keswick tried to suggest that nothing much had happened. No one really believed him. Other business leaders on the island have been torn between swallowing their anger at being outwitted, and denouncing Jardine. Matherson as no longer anything like the power it used to be. But in the past two days the company's shares have tumbled by 23p to 90p and the stock market's Hang Seng index has slipped and slithered by 104.47 to 1,014.38. The only real surprise is that it is still above 1,000.

The Bermudan ploy and its reception amount to another few pieces in the mosaic which has been falling into place since the Chinese communists said that they wanted to reclaim Hongkong and the New Territories by the time the Briish lease on the New Territories expires in 1997 - a lease which the Chinese have never recognised anyway. Every shred of news has been minutely examined. particularly by the Hongkong Chinese, in search for clues to the outcome. Given Jardin's connexions at the highest level, Mr Keswick's move can only be ominous for those who remain. It is no coincidence that Bermuda is identical to Hongkong in so many respects - offshore island, British tradition, English language, warm climate, pro-capitalist. The difference is that it lies off the US.

#### March money rush after Budget boost

Corporate treasurers find it hard to resist the opportunity to raise cheap finance afforded by booming share prices, nor are the issuing houses slow to hasten newcomers to the market in these conditions. During March, equities have regularly been hitting new peaks, basking in the euphoria induced by the Budget and falls in domestic interest rates.

Conditions for capital raising could scarcely have been more favourable and the new issue statistics complied by the merchant bankers Samuel Montagu fully bear this out. A total of £778m of new money was raised during the month through equity and bond issues, well up on the February figure of £550m and the highest monthly figure since June 1981.

Rights issues picked up smartly.

although Exco International and Bowater between them accounted for a sizable slice of the £194m raised. Activity in the new issues market has also been at a high level. Ten new companies came to the market and there were also newcomers to the Unlisted Securities Market.

Any sign of increased activity on the capital markets will, however be welcomed by a government keen to encourage switching from the banking system to assist monetary control. And the Budget certainly sought to encourage this with several measures which will have the effect of making bank finance less attractive compared with the capital markets.

# Shipowners join unions in fight for tax exemptions

The first shots were fired yesterday in a major parliamen-tary and media lobbying cam-paign to exempt shipping and seamen from Budget plans to end capital allowances and tax

Mr Richard Tookey, president of the General Council of British Shipping, said the Budget move gave the im-pression the Government did give a damn about

He said in a speech to the Liverpool Steam Ship Owners' Association that shipping would be badly hit. He added: "It has

Before the Budget, the council had been pressing the Government to introduce mea-

sures to even out cyclical effects, extend capital allowances to second-hand ships and include larger shipbuilding ports in new enterprise zones.

None of the requests were

granted and Mr Tookey said: Suddenly, at a stroke, our advantages have been with-drawn. Indeed, while landdrawn. Indeed, while land-based industry continues to get a number of advantages such as regional aid, help for setting up in enterprise zones, the Business Expansion Scheme and special industry aid of one kind or another, shipping is now to get nothing." He continued: "We go from

100 per cent free depreciation to nil capital allowances within three years. Admiredly, corporation tax is reduced over the same period from 52 to 35 per cent, but that still does not after the fact that investment in shipping will be very badly hit.".



Richard Tookey: forecast of stormy weather

Under the old system, shippers could depreciate the whole 100 per cent in the first year or at will thereafter, while the rest of industry depreciated under a reduced rate of 25 per cent.

This enabled the industry to remain competitive with Britain's main European partners,

The latest figures for the new

financial year imply that British

£120m estimated for the current

divisions, reflecting the re-

peated intention to return the

profitable warship yards to the

The three warship companies

in line for sale, Vickers, Yarrow

and Vosper, were nationalized

Lithgow yard alone.

private sector.

excluding Norway, Many within the industry considered that advantage almost wholly responsible for new capital investment.

In a rare show of unanimity, Mr Tookey and the employers joined with the National Union of Seaman and the Merchant Navy and Airline Officers' Association in attacking the Chancellor's removal of tax relief for seafarers who spent more than 30 days abroad, often in short spells, and the officers and ratings who spend months continually abroad on their

"The Chancellor exempts the businessman who is abroad for 366 days. Surely, the seafarer deserves some recognition." Mr Tookey said, explaining that at the moment the Budget would cost the average rating £10 per week in lost carnings and the officers £14 a week and more.

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Amsterdam: 179-7 up 0.6
Sydney: AO Index 750.5 up 5.4
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**CURRENCIES** 

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flotation.

The figures confirm that, after BP and Shell, BT will be the most profitable company on the Stock market.

London fixed (per ounce): am \$388.50 pm \$388.50 close \$388-388.50 (£269-269.50) New York (larest): \$387.25

always been recognized that shipping is a highly cyclical industry where a long series of lean years may suddenly be interspersed with a bumper

**BICC** in

metals

merger

By Andrew Cornelius

The rationalization of Bri-

tain's troubled engineering

industries continued yesterday

with news of a merger of the copper and aluminium busi-

# State shipyard costs up despite selloff

year, despite the fact that its biggest loss-making yard, Scott Lithgow, has now been sold to nesses of BICC, the cables and the private sector.

engineering group, and Johnson & Firth Brown, the Sheffield engineers.
Two new companies will be established to combine the businesses. Thomas Boiton & Johnson will employ 900 people on existing sites at Froghall in Staffordshire and Wakefield in West Yorkshire, and have an

annual turnover of about £55m. annual turnover of about £55m.

The merger will mean the loss of about 100 jobs at J&FB's site at Wakefield, but will protect the jobs of another 200 workers there. "Without the deal all 300 jobs were at risk", Mr George Hardie, finance director of J&FB said.

The new company will be jointly owned by BICC and J&FB and will be a significant force in the British market for copper wire for the automotive and electrical industries.

A second company in Prescot. Merseyside, Prescot Aluminium Company, will combine the aluminium (overhead wire) cable businesses and will be 80 per cent owned by BICC and 20 per cent by J&FB.

Both new companies are expected to make profits from their first day in business.

move, BTR, the industrial holdings conglomerate, and IMI, the metals group, decided to merge their vehicle radiator service and distribution busi-A new

International Radiator Services, will take over the Serck Services International and the IMI Marston Radiator Services businesses, to form a new company with about 140 branches throughout the country, employing 1,800 people.

#### Francis predicts record profits

Francis Industries, under assault from Mr David Abell's Suter, has cleverly given share-holders a powerful message about future profitability with the full year results but kept the formal profits forecast for the defence document. Mr D. "Sandy" Saunders, the

chairman, said yesterday in his statement that he expected to see profits reach a new record in 1984. "The highest profits ever achieved were those for 1979 (£1,924,480)". The City now expects the profits forecast in the defence document to be more than £2m. Profits last year were more than £1.5m against £1.1m.

# Britain's nationalized ship- resulting from this week's sale

of Scott Lithgow to Trafalgar House, and £22m to cover the effects of the continuing world recession in merchant shipbuilding industry will again draw heavily on Government funds in the coming financial building.

The Department of Trade and Industry yesterday an-nounced a new external financing limit of £217m for British Shipbuilders in the coming financial year. This represents public money the corporation expects to need to cover trading losses, redundancy costs and capital investment over the next 12 months.

The figure is £42m higher than the provisional estimate in last month's Government public spending plans. It comes oney three days after the Government announced that British shipbuilders' external financing limit for the current financial year (which ends tomorrow) had been increased from £158m to a record £268m. Of that extra £110m, £88m

in 1977. They made a combined profit of £55m in 1982-3. was accounted for by write-offs Reuters will raise £325m

stock market flotation of Reut- investors. ers suggest that 32.5 per cent of the share capital will go on offer to the public, raising £325m for the owners of this newsagency In a separate rationalization and business information group.

> Reuters are still unsure of whether the issue will be a straightforward offer for sale or parent company, will be completed by tender, price is 250p per share

> > No other major

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It is now clear that some important British financialinstitutions will be absent from the underwriting. A boycott has been imposed because large insurance companies and pension funds dislike multi-vote the banks advising share structures. Reuters has opted for such a structure to ensure its independence.

An early estimate of an offer

### BT down £77m in first half

By Our Financial Correspondent British Telecom, which is reading for sale to the private sector later this year, yesterday produced delayed profit figures for the six months to last September, showing a £77m drop in profits from £539m to £162m

Shipbuilders will make another substantial loss in the year to come, although Mr Graham Sir George Jefferson, the corporation's chairman, said, Day, the chairman, expects the however, that he expected the figures for the second half of the present financial year to be higher. This implies that the loss will be smaller than the year. The corporation lost £117m in 1982-83, £66m of full-year results, due in July and which was incurred by the Scott the last figures before the planned flotation date of October, will be close to the £1.031m For the first time the historic cost profit which BT made in 1982-83. Govenment has set separate financing limits for the naval Yesterday's interim figures were produced after further and merchant shipbuilding

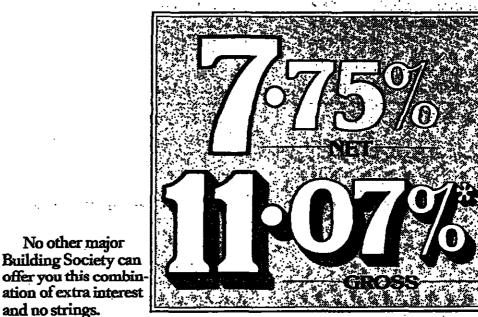
changes in BT's accounting policies. The corporation has switched back from current cost to historic cost accounting, and has also written off £933m against its reserves to take account of its decision to depreciate its transmission and exchange equipment more quickly than before. It was discussion of these hanges which delayed the

figures by two months. They have been approved by the auditors, Coopers & Lybrand, and are designed to settle the corporation's methods in good time for the flotation.

before November.

# Sir George said further price \$399.50-401 (2277-278) increases were possible; but not before November, \$91:50.92.50 (£63.50-64.25) Tempus, page 22

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● WW RIBBONS HOLDINGS: Half-year to December 31, 1983. Turnover £7.42m (£7.09m): Group operating surplus (before interest and tax) £244,000 (£248,000). Interest £228,000 (£12,000). Tax nil (same). Current half-year has started with trade continuing to crow in Britain.

● AC CARS: Year to September 30. 1983. Turnover £2.27m (£1.44m). Trading loss £224.000 (£342.000). No tax (same). No dividend (same). Company has agreed to dispose of its manufacturing rights and interests in the ACME 3000 sports car to Kirkby Hogarth. Price: 250.000 Kirkby ordinary shares (4.65 per cent of the equity) valued at £50,000. Kirkby will also buy certain stocks for an estimated cash sum of £70.000.

BURGESS (HOLDINGS): PRODUCTS Half-year to 984. Turnover January 28, 1984. Turnover £12.01m (£11.01m). Pretax profit £214.000 (loss of £66,000 last time), Interim payment, 0.5p net a share

# **Broken Hill profits** soar to £212m

Broken Hill Proprietary, Australia's largest public company, in the first nine months to February 29, 1984. Results reported yesterday show pretax profits for the last three months almost quadrupled to \$A317.3m (£212m), against \$A57.3m. Profits for the first nine months climbed to

\$A851.8m. against \$A308.9m. The company, which has been under assault from Mr Robert Holmes a Court, the Australian financier, says the 1983 period was affected by "abnormal retrenchment pay-ments and plant write-offs", which have helped profis this

#### in brief

SILKOLENE LUBRICANTS: In 1983, turnover of Silkolene Lubricants expanded by 31 per cent to £20.27m, Sales volumes increased by 38 per cent. But, the board reports, prices suffered because of intense competition register from the continuing surplus occause of intense composition arising from the continuing surplus of oil products. As a result, pretax profits only edged forward, from flm to £f.01m. The total net dividend is being lifted from 7p to 8p a share. However, the board is confident that 1984's pretax profits will top 1983's.

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STOCK MARKET REPORT

# US bid talk lifts **Commercial Union**

By Derek Pain

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Burmah Oil was up 3p to 190p.

Generally shares ended the

Banks were again firm.

profit-taking, falling 4p to 228p.

of rumours and fears about the contents of scheduled drilling

reports, suffered a drubbing,

Atlantic Resources, last year at

795p, fell 90p to 420p after

Elsewhere hopes that the Debenhams trading link with

a more telling corporate re-

Harris, after touching 400p.

decision to make life tougher -or at least marginally less

profitable - for the casino

companies depressed Pleasura-

Associated Leisure amusement machine groups. The shares fell

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ended at 396p.

Irish oil stocks, on a variety

Shares of Commercial Union. the insurance group weighed down by its troubled United States offshoot, raced ahead again yesterday as rumours multiplied that a trans-Atlantic bid was about to be mounted or that at the very least its US insurance business would be

Speculation was intensified by the apparent interest of Mr Ivan Boesky, the American arbitrager who took a vital 5 per cent (£50m) stake in Eagle Star Holdings when it was the subject of competing bids from Allianz Versicherungs, the West German insurer, and BAT Industries, the tobacco group which eventually won control of

mid-day but the closing index was off 4.8 points at 877.0. Eagle.

Mr Boesky said yesterday that he was watching the CU helped along by the accountants' change of heart over tax payments. Lloyds, for example. situation closely. "But I am not at the centre of the activity."
Speaking for CU Mr George was 17p higher at 473p.

Spratt, the company secretary, said: "We are not party to

More trouble at Tisbury Brewery, the Wiltshire company floated in the City on the tide of traditional ale five years ago.
The company, which has never
made a profit, is calling an
"informal" meeting of shareholders next week to discuss the latest twists and turns in its tortuous career. It seems that problems have arisen with Canonbury Wines, a drinks distributor which owns 22 per cent of Tisbury and was thought to represent the company's saviour. Tisbury's shares are

anything." He said that there was no evidence of any significant change in the top 50 CU shareholders over the past six or seven months. "It would cost about £50m for someone to build a 5 per cent stake and about £150m to build a 14.9 per cent stake", he said. "But I

traded occasionally under the 163 facility. The last price was

5p to 388p - a new low for the

A newcomer, North Sea Oil Other oil stocks closed on a and General Trust, made a mixed note although LASMO sobering debut after all the continued to move ahead. recent high flying activities of Robertson Research and Connells. The shares, offered, at The shares were up 32p at one time yesterday. They closed 125p. opened at 110p. Ten at 224p - a two-day gain of 36p. million were sold and the flotation was just oversub-Other insurances joined in scribed. But Robertson, althe fun, with Poenix, reporting results on Monday, rising 12pto though hit by the inevitable

Kennedy Brookes, the fast first leg of the account on a growing restaurant chain develsubdued note although, in light oped by Mr Michael Golder and Mr Roy Ackernian, is planning trading, prices were off the floor at the close. The FT 30 share to franchise its two most famous index was down 6.2 points at names - Mario and Franco and Wheelers. The idea is that Kennedy's will continue to operate the London outlets but offer franchise deals in towns with a 100.000-plus population. Kennedy's shares were un-changed at 228p yesterday. Government stocks were

little changed. There was a tendency to recover early falls profit-taking after Thursday's of up to £1/4 Golds were a few spectacular launch, continued bouyant. More than 123 times cents down as the US dollar progressed against most curoversubscribed at the 160p offer rencies, including sterling. Elsewhere, Bowater, the star of the price, the shares were 247p vesterday, down 15p on the day. week, had to contend with Connells, offered at 120p.

slipped 3p to 143p. Elsewhere, Trusthouse Forte, which is not planning a bid for the hotel arm of the troubled Spanish Rumasa group, was a w coppers lower at 225p.

Other hotel shares, however, were firm, with De Vere Hotels and Restaurants - where the chairman and controlling share-Harris Queensway could lead to holder, Mr Leopold Muller, has made it clear he would be lationship lifted the department store group's shares 5p to 180p. receptive to a realistic offer - up another 2p at 110p. De Vere nearly arrived at the alter last year but the deal, with Mr Confirmation of the Budget Gerald Holland, was not fina-

> Dalgety, the sprawling inter-national food group, is winning more and more City support. Mr David Shaw at De Zoete and Bevan, the stockbrokers, may revise his profits projection upwards from £64m to £66m (£48m), and suggests the shares, up 20p at 470p, remain a buy, particularly for income funds.

> Ibstock Johnsen, brickmakers, failed to respond to talk of £11m profits and slipped 3p to 211p. Courtaulds, with suggestions of £115m profits in the air, were another casualty, easing 2p to 148p.

> French Connection, a recent USM addition, fell 15p to 300p ahead of figures due next week. Hongkong shares continued to suffer from the Jardine Matheson decision to move house to Bermuda. There was an array of minus signs throughout the Hongkong list. And Cable and Wireless, which

was clipped 12p to 353p. Among Australian issues, 28p to 930p after the results. New lows for the year were

reached by Biomechanics and A.Caird. Besides CU, others attaining new highs included Reckitt and Colman and Croda International.

The number of Stock Exchange bargains on Thursday was 24,032, valued at £313,704m. Gilt bargains were 3.389. The number of British and Irish shares traded was 167.4 million.

#### MONEY MARKETS

Bank of England help yesterday was again in excess of £1 billion. For the week as a whole, the authorities have channelled more than £4 billion into the market through various routes.

Yesterday's assistance, at £1,112m, the highest of the week, came on a shortage that increased from £900m, to £1 billion, enabled the market to pick up some relatively cheap money at the end of a difficult week.

Most houses took final balances within bounds of 5 per cent and 7 per cent having paid up to 814 per cent in the early

stages.
The day's shortage had been swollen by the unwinding of the temporary facility with banks which came into effect on March2, and which involved gilt "repos" totalling about £668m.

This was included in the figure of £1,548m, given for maturing assistance and take-up of Treasury Bills. Other adverse factors cited by

the Bank at the outset were bill repurchases of £167m, a £200m rise in note circulation, and banks balances about £100m below target overnight.

#### **FOREIGN EXCHANGES**

Sterling closed a depressing week at its lowest trade weighted value for a year on 80.1. down 0.3 on the day and the week. It lost 1/2 a cent on the dollar at 1.4425 after dipping to 1.4380 near funchtime, and weakened further against Continentals.

Dealers said there were no signs of the Bank of England's intervention.

The pound lost 4 plennigs on the week, against the mark, and about 13 centimes against French francs - testing a low of 11½ Francs during the afternoon. It slipped 1½ pfennigs against the mark at 3.7375, fell 5½ centimes against French francs at 11.5050, lost ¼ of a centime on Swiss francs at 3.1050 and % of a yen at 3.24.

**TEMPUS** 

# Tidying Telecom for the big sale

the horizon. British Telecom agement with some plausible needed desperately to bring plans for the future chestnuts some kind of order to its can still be pulled out of the chaotic balance sheet. But fire. Thus yesterday we saw:
having delayed its interim much troubled Leyland Paints results so that the vital repairs get a much needed equity could be carried out, the end subscription to raise £1.7m product still leaves much to be desired.

The biggest problems relathave been solved at a single gigantic stroke of £933m, a stake they believe worthwhile which has been conveniently. written off directly to reserves. This figure includes additional depreciation of £584m, needed to reflect shortened lives of a substantial proportion of BT's

The approach contravenes standard accounting practice, which requires the adjustment to go through the profit and loss account. The auditors agreed, however, to the departure from the standard since

accounting records of its assets, price. which pose real problems over their true worth, the hope must now be that it has got its sums right. Total fixed assets of nearly £8.5 billion were rethe interim date of September 30 1983, which happens to equate to the rumoured market

One balance sheet problem which has still to be sorted out is the question of the £1:25 billion long-term liability relating to a deficiency on the pension fund. The Government has agreed to remove this clumsy scar from the balance sheet but it is unclear whether BT will still have to meet the resulting liability. The diffi-culty needs to be resolved swiftly. BT also has an uncomfortable deferred tax liability of £2.65 billion. for which no provision has yet

BT's profit and toss accounts
has a pre-privatization gloss king.

Pifco has clearly been runlindeed to slide plementary depreciation charge has been abandoned. It is heading for £1 billion net profit for the year, which on a market

been made.

One worrying aspect of the operating charges - in effect. everything other than staff costs and depreciation. Turnper cent, and if this disparity was to continue, bearing in problems, particularly in times has close links with the colony. of low inflation.

cash, it needs to embark on a paying an unchanged dividend heavy investment programme. of 1.76p. The shares rose 10p. which will be a drain on to 185p on the results. It is difficult to see how it will financial base, derive perhaps become self-financing. Yet from a reaction to the cut-there is still a lot of pro- throat competition Pifco enductivity to be gained out of counters in the market place. BT. and with its prized The company's decision to buy international network still in equity in order to boost; booming, the path for growth could still be cleared.

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which should keep the creditors from the door. The deal means that invest ing to plant and equipment ing institutions will end up with 37 per cent of the equity

This life-saver came about because Mr Gerry Thomas of Hambros Banks is on the Leyland board and he was able to persuade the bank to lead the seven institutions which are investing. They are subscribing at 18p per share. a price which caused a little difficulty because rumours of a new bidder last week pushed the price up to 27p at one stage. But there was no bidder merely ill-informed speculation compliance would have been in a tip sheet. And anyway, misleading. Compliance would with the results announced have also wiped out BT's yesterday showing a loss of retained profit for the period. After all, the problems that time, Leyland would have been BT has had with keeping the pushed to get a bid at a realistic

The £1.55m net which will be raised is very definitely to reorganize Leyland's balance sheet. National Westminster has seen the books and the corded in the balance sheet at plans and given its blessing. The results yesterday show reserves of £5.2m after £6m was written off - with such capitalization on privatization. figures it does not take long to

# would last without action.

Pifco, manufacturer of branded electrical household goods and hairdriers, yesterday lifted the veil a little on the jungle warfare behind the scenes of the consumer boom.

profits from £541,000 to £501.000 results from the erratic pattern of sales, and this looks to stem from retailers' caprice towards suppliers dur-

ning very hard indeed to slide. behind just a fraction, during excessively fierce competition

Nor does it look as if the capitalization of £8 billion puts second half, which en-the p/e ratio at eight compasses the Christmas trading period, will produce any profit and loss account is the fireworks in profit terms. 20 per cent increase in other Expectations that turnover has remained mercurial should prove well founded.

But Pisco is a cautious wellover has increased by only 7 breached company, controlled by the Webber family. A rise in investment income during the mind the suggested pricing first six months of £4,000 to policy for BT of RPI minus x. £269,000, or £60,000 above the t could pose longer term interim trading profits, emphasizes just how secure the financial base has remained. Although BT is generating Pifco has had no trouble in

resources and a obstacle to The solidity of the family generous dividend payments shareholding plus the strong earnings and assets, looks to have been a logical extension of the group's embattled

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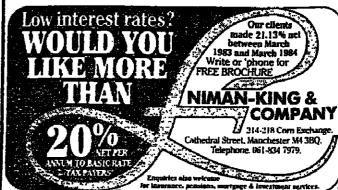
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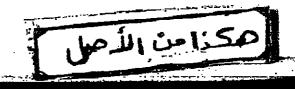
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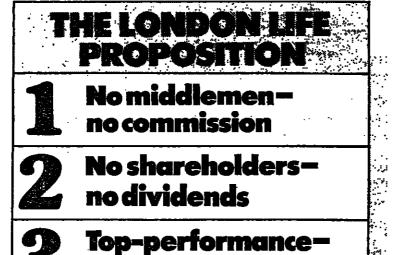
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**WALL STREET** 

#### Dow slips 5 points in early trading

Wall Street stock prices were lower in early tradings as the market continued to give back the large gains recorded on Wednesday

The Dow Jones industrial average, which fell 3.87 points on Thursday after a 20.31 point jump the day before, was down more than five points to under 1166. Overall, losers led gainers five to three. Volume was about seven million shares.

One analyst said now that the treasury refunding is over the market is in "a death watch" over Federal Reserve policy, and fears of a discount rate rise should intensify.

Meanwhile, in the energy

business, Marathon Oil of the US and Husky Oil Ltd of Canada, have announced agreement for the purchase of Husky's US subsidiary Husky Oil Company, for \$505m. HOC, with executive offices

in Denver, is engaged in the US in exploration for, and production of, crude oil and natural gas, refining, and the marketing of refined petroleum products.

HOC is also engaged in oil and gas activities in Britain and the Phillipines.

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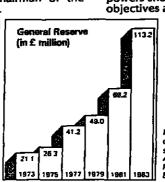
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this week to talk to dozens of small investors who are taking on two of the biggest United States broking houses.

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the second case the Michael Goldie, is taking action against Merrill Lynch, the autumn, Mr Goldie lost in 11 andon office.

Both these actions are quite explanation. separate. But they have wide implications for other British

Mr Swan says: "The type of

US broker that sells small investors commodity futures may not be the sophisticated financial expert they may fondly imagine him to be. He is Money readers. In the first, 87 He makes his money probably British investors are suing entirely on commission which Bache Halsey Stuart Shields for he may split with the firm. And he makes money regardless of whether the customer shows a

A feature of the Goldie case

was the amount of commission generated often in frenetic The commission dealings. Coronation Street actor, Mr schedules show that in the course of one day's trading commissions of more than world's largest stockbroker. As \$20,000 was paid out of the reported in The Times last account. Total commissions autumn, Mr Goldie lost in 11 over the year came to more months £70.000 in commodity than \$80,000 - half of which futures dealings with Merrill's was later returned to Mr Goldic's account with ДО

What those who have lost money with big American firms investors who may have lost find hard to understand is how

Mr Edward J. Swan, a New sizable sums with US broking this can happen to them at the carried out through the US York lawyer, was in London houses in London. hands of a well known intermarkets. British investors can national concern with a repu-

> Mr Goldie claims he phoned up Merrill in the first place because he wanted a large reputable stockbroker to man-

nothing in London comparable with the Commodity Exchange Act. And it was not clear whether British investors had any recourse to US law. As a result, things have been done to investors in Britain that would not have been done back

Since last November, however, things have changed a bit. A court ruling in a case against EF Hutton, another large US broker, established that overseas citizens could sue in the US courts. Up to that point Bache was trying to establish that the case was outside the US courts' iurisdiction.

It now emerges that so long as the dealings in question are

tation at stake.

It is not a class action. The 87 Mr Swan says: "One of the problems is there seems to be investors are suing separately although the cases will be tried different route. He is going cedure, a simpler and cheaper alternative. What is abundantly clear is

from May.

that the Bache investors and Mr Goldie are by no means the only Britons who have lost money with American brokers the past six months, since we wrote about Mr Goldie, indicate that several other individuals are thinking of taking action. The way now looks clear

for punitive damages on top of

their losses) could start any time

markets. British investors can cure and until Mr Swan has challenge the brokers in Ameri- achieved the victory investors can courts. Consequently, the hope for in the US courts there. Bache case (investors are suing is little chance that the authorities in this country will feel moved to regulate more effectively the commodity markets.

Mr Swan thinks investors should be quite clear about what they are doing and signing together. Mr Goldie is taking a before they hand over any money to a US broker, or through the New York Stock indeed anybody else, offering a Exchange's arbitration proment, "Under the US Government rules you will be asked to sign something called a Risk Disclosure Statement and don't let anyone tell you this is a mere formality. It is never a formality. It is a US Government in London. One Essex farmer requirement that investors are recently settled a claim against a told fully about the degree of big US broking house out of risk they are taking before they court. Inquiries by solicitors in commit themselves. Example, if more people read it properly there would be fewer investors in commodities futures."

Margaret Drummond

Inland Revenue

# Tax payments guide to maintenance

mother, the tax position regarding maintenance is a potential minefield. There are four possible ways in which the maintenance she receives may he taxed. It is assumed throughout this article that the man is the paver and the woman the payee, but the same rules apply f the roles are reversed. Voluntary Payments Where there is no court order

or signed agreement, the herself or else she should woman is not liable for tax on ensure the order reads "A shall her maintenance payments, and the man cannot claim tax relief on the money he pays. Small" Payments

If there is a court order, and the payments are not above £33 week. (£143 a month) for the woman, or £18 a week (£78 a month) for each child, the man pays the full amount, but can claim tax relief on the payments. The mother is liable for tax on the full amount she teceives.
"Large" Payments

Payments higher than the above limits, or payments at any level under a signed agreement made out of Court, are treated differently. The man deducts the tax at the basic rate before payment, and gives the woman a Certificate (R.185) to prove that he has done this. The woman then has no more basic rate tax to pay on the net amount. The final effect is an and arranging the corresponding relief for the

However, if the woman has no other income, she probably isn't a taxpayer. She would be able to set her personal allowances against the maintenance and so should not have been liable for tax anyway on most, or all, of the maintenance she receives. In this case, she has to claim back from the Inland Revenue the tax deducted by the man by completing a Form

For a divorced or separated R.249 at regular intervals, and woman, or an unmarried enclosing the R.185's.

distinctions considerable confusion. First, a woman who has been receiving voluntary maintenance, and who decides to put the arrangement on to a more formal footing by means of a court order or enforceable agreement, must be careful to get the sate for the shift in the tax burden from her ex-husband to ensure the order reads "A shall pay to B such an amount as after tax shall leave her..."

Secondly, where a working woman has a court order, and is meant to be receiving a "small" maintenance payment her tax coding will be altered to collect from her earnings the tax due on her maintenance. But if the man only makes payments sporadically, or not at all, she suffers doubly because the Inland Revenue will still be she is not receiving.

Tax offices are often unco operatve in redressing this: when the woman asks for her coding to be altered, her tax office may insist on writing to her ex-husband's 12x office which in turn contacts him to confirm whether the payments are in arrears. He, of course, may be a long

time in replying, especially if he is claiming relief on payments therefore the same as with he is not making. Worse still, "small" payments but the some tax offices take the view Inland Revenue is saved the that it is appropriate to work of collecting the tax due continue taxing her, even when since (in theory) she can so back to court at a future date and enforce payment of the arrears, which would then escape tax if her coding had been altered upwards.

Thirdly, where a non-working woman is receiving a "large" can often be delays of some months in reclaiming from the Inland Revenue the basic-rate tax which the man deducted. An even worse problem

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occurs when because of personal bitterness, or simply inefficiency, the man does not supply the R.185 forms regularly with the maintenance payment. Although he has a statutory duty to do so, most exwives are understandably reticent to go through the rigmarole of court proceedings to enforce Nevertheless, the tax cannot be reclaimed without the R.185.

further point causing confusion is that where a court orders a certain amount to be paid for the mother, and a certain amount for each child, each of these amounts is treated

as a separate maintenance payment for tax purposes. So it is possible (and quite common) to have the ludicrous situation whereby part of the maintenance the woman receives is classed as large (and has tax deducted at source) and the rest is small (and therefore still has tax to be paid on it).

Furthermore, if the man in this example gives an additional voluntary amount (for instance. to compensate for inflation since the order was made) then the total maintenance she receives is separated into three distinct components by the tax office, each of which is treated in a different way.

The National Council for One Parent Families has been attempting for some years to simplify this system, but so far no proposals for change have been forthcoming from the Treasury. When the Green Paper on the Taxation of Husband & Wife was published in December 1980 the issue was disappointingly given no men-

Payments to Children

However, there is one respect in which the rules do provide an opportunity to reduce the separated couple's joint tax bill, and this is the fourth category of maintenance referred to carlier. by a court to be paid in the children of the relationship. rather than to the mother for the children, it is treated as the children's income, and their available to set against the maintenance.

the children's behalf, and it is not necessary for the money to be paid into a special bank account or trust fund in the children's names. In this way, the mother pays no tax, but the father can still claim tax relief.

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Within this category, there is still a distinction between payments above £33 a week (which should have tax deducted before payment) and those below, which are paid gross. But most maintenance paid in this way is below £33 by nature, because otherwise it would be likely to exceed the Single Person's Allowance of £1.785 a year, when the children themselves would start to incur

It should be noted that this advantage can only be gained through a court order. A signed agreement for maintenance direct to children does not have the right effect because it is caught under the Section 437 provisions, which say that a "settlement" on a child is

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# RESULTS FOR YEAR ENDED 31 JANUARY 1984

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New research casts doubt on the use by industrial tribunals of 1980 guidelines from the Government Actuary on calculating compensation for loss of pension in unfair dismissal cases. For example, the Industrial Relations Legal example, the industrial Helations Lega Information Bulletin says: "The guidelines may lead to lower compensation than an actuarial assessment based on an employee's

assessment based on an employee's haal salary."

Assessing pension loss continues to baffle both lawyers and non-lawyers involved in unfair dismissal cases. The IRLIB not only analyses the pros and cons of the different methods, but also suggests solutions to some of the problems identified by its research. Information on the bulletin can be obtained from Joe O'Hara or Anthony Kom on 01-328 4751. Kom on 01-328 4751.

Lambeth cuts rate

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Lambeth Building Society has announced that from Monday interest on its High Yield Shares is being reduced by 1.05 percentage points to 8.05 per cent, equivalent to 11.50 per cent gross. With interest added each half-year, the net rate increases to 8.21 per cent, equivalent to 11.7 per cent gross. The withdrawal r otics is 28 days, with a minimum investment of 2500 and a maximum of 530.000. Further details from Mr David Hayward, the general from Mr David Hayward, the general manager, on 01-928 1331,

Dollar gloom

Much of the funding of the United States budget deflott last year was foreign investment in the US. Mr Albert Loveless, of the stockbrokerr, Simon & Coates, argues in this month's edition of the Krugerrand Bulletin that during the present year this investment may not be so readily available, and a fall in the dollar, a rise in infletion and an increase in the price of gold are the likely results. Mr Loveless says: "This net Inflow greatly eased economic pressures and allowed the US authorities to maintain an accommodative monetary and fiscal

allowed the US authorities to maintain as accommodative monetary and fiscal policy which boosted the economic recovery, with a blind eye turned to the fact that the financing of the US budget deficit has become increasingly subject to the whims of foreigners".

#### Property returns

Total returns (capital appreciation plus income) which can be anticipated from property are now more competitive with other investment media, believe

Merchant Investors, the insurers.
It says: "Against this increasingly favourable background, demand and supply in some property occupational markets, particularly in the south east, are more property occupational markets. are moving towards equilibrium. This will boost the confidence of the institutional investors to allocate an increased proportion of their cash flow to propert in anticipation of higher rates of rental

#### Insurance figures

Insurance company actuaries have been busy since the Chancellor's bombshell dropped over tax relief and they have come up with some interesting figures. The removal of Life Assurance Premium Relief will have less effect on the longe term savings policies, according to UK

form savings policies, according to UK Provident.
For example, the fall in yield from a 10-year with-profits endowment as a result of the removal of relief will be 2.8 per cant a year, 1.8 per cent on 15-year schemes, 1.3 per cent on 20-year plans falling to only 1 per cent on 25-year policies.

Guaranteed income If you believe that interest rates will continue to fall in the longer term, locking continue to fall in the longer term, locking yourself into a fixed return now may not be a bad idea. British National Life is offering a five and a six year gueranteed income bond paying 8.5 per cent net of basic rate tax. If you do not want to commit yorself for such a long period there is a three-year bond paying 8.25 per cent.

per cent.
The building societies as now paying 6.25 per cent on ordinary share accounts or 7.25 per cent on "extra interest" accounts so the BNL offer is competitive. Details from British National Life Assuance Company Ltd, British National House, Harlands Road, Haywards Heath, West Sussex, RH16 1TD. Tel: 0444



### Wheels of fortune

Somebody does actually win the prize draws that are used to promote everything from American Express cards to Which? Magazine.

Mr Roger Kwok and bis wife Ameila were presented yesterday with a Mercedes 190 by Mr Stirling Moss, the former racing driver, after winning the American Express "Member gets member" draw. Coincidentally, it was also the Kwok's silver wedding anniversary.

anniversary.

To be eligible for the draw, American Express cardholders had to ask a friend or colleague to apply for a card. The prize draw incentive seems to work, as Arrax signed up 2,500 new members as

Trustee Savings Bank has come into line with other high street banks and reduced mortgage rates. TSB is now charging £140.80 a month to a borrower aged 30 on a £20.000 loan over 25 years, compared with £138.22 by National Westminster or £145.80 from a typical hilling speciality.

building society.
However, TSB also offers life insurance with its loans, the premium on which is included in monthly repyaments. If you compare TSB with the others, including the life assurace, the sums look

TSB's monthly repayments are the same at £140.80 but NatWest charges £141.57 and a typical building society works out at £149.15.

Savings bonus

Whitechurch Securities is offering a new service to give a higher return on building society investments. The company has sgreed with Abbey National that the 1 per cent commission Whitechurch receives on all investments placed with Abbey will be secured by the offerer of be passed on to the clients of Whitechurch (less £2 to cover their costs). Whitechurch thus offers a better

costs). Whitechurch thus offers a better return than the smaller societies, with the added security of Abbey National.

The strings are that the minimum investment is 21,000 and, although the money can be invested in any Abbey account, it must be there for at least six months and the commission will be paid

after the six months have elapsed. It is a one-off payment, not payable every year. For details of the scheme ring Whitechurch Securities on 01-977 5854.

Society backing

A flutter on today's Grand National, with the help of a building society, must rank as one of the more bizarre offers that are increasingly being made in the competitive spirit now prevailing.

Members of the Nottingham Building Society Homelink electonic banking service can call up the odds for the race on their domestic television and transmit their bets to the central computer, where the stake money will automatically be debited from their account. Winnings (if any) will be credited in the same way.

'No loss' contract

Crusader Insurance has launched its "can't lose" contract covering both the possibility of death and the possibility of survival. called "The Executive Income Protection Plan", it is designed to protect a family's income needs for 10 years in the event of the death of the

breadwinner.

If the policyholder survives the 10 years, the plan provides a guaranteed minimum cash, equal to the total premuims paid.

Further information can be obtained

from: Douglas McDonald (Crusader) 070372 42424.

Savings certificates

# Acceptable return in a period of lower inflation

As interest rates come down, so no need to purchase them in obtaining income from invest- any particular denominations. ments becomes a top priority.

National Savings Certificates, of all rates of tax, and the plans which yield 7.25 per cent tax can therefore be especially free over their five-year term.

provide an acceptable level of out. income in a period of lower

who want to take out an annual income, the tables show two lower overall return. convenient plans by which this can be done.

slightly higher overall return cally. than Plan B, where the annual income is more or less equa-lized. In both cases, the original capital is left intact at the end of

Similar schemes can be operated on a pro-rata basis for smaller holdings. The system the interest accruing, allows for partial encashment of multiple certificates, so there is

The average annual yield, on

The curtain goes up next a simple interest basis, is Thursday on the 27th issue of around 7.1 per cent. This is free useful for elderly investors who The return is lower than that want to minimize the "tax bite" on other recent issues but the at the point at which "age certificates can still be used to allowance" begins to be phased

There can be many variants flation. on these schemes, according to Maximum investment is whether the holder wants a again £5,000 per person, in £25 level, ascending or descending units. To get the best return the income. Plans can also be certificates should be held for devised that will exhaust the the full five years, but for those capital at the end of five years, but these give a significantly

A point to note is that holders have to arrange the encash-Plan A gives an ascending ments themselves. National scale of income and provides a Savings will not do it automati-

With that proviso, the plans are flexible and easy to operate. And if after a year or two you no longer need to draw out an income, you simply stop en-cashing units and let the residual holding run on, with

Harry Powell

Annual income schemes for 27th issue National Savings Certificates leaving capital intact at the end of the five-year term.

	PLAN A			
At end of	No of 225 units encashed	Encashment value £		
1st year	12	315,84		
2nd year	12	335.52		
3rd year	12	359,52		
4th year	12	389.28		
5th year	11	390.28		
	59	£1,790.44		
<del></del>	PLAN B	·		
1st year	13	342,16		
2nd year	13	363.48		
3rd year	12	359.52		
4th year	11	356.84		
5th year	10	354.80		
	<u>59</u>	£ <u>1,776.80</u>		

In each case, a total of 59 units is encashed, leaving 141 units each worth £35.48 - a total of £5,002.68. Certificates are available in various denominations up to a total of 2000 units per person.

#### Life cover set to rise

First National Securities

more - and not just because tax a medical (which would cost the relief on premiums has gone.

The straightforward cover-type policies which provide a lump sum if you die within a type ones have the most specified period - term and appeal to the family person with convertible term - but nothing if dependants. But to encourage you survive, have always been the salesmen to push them, the sold at lower rates as loss-lead-commissions on term and

For example a 30-year-old can buy £100,000 worth of 15year convertible term assurance for an annual premium of only the salaries of the senior £104 from Equitable Life, or executives - it will be the £111 from Economic Insurance, two of the market leaders.

At these rates, the companies were probably breaking even if cost you more next year. they were lucky - and making a

Life assurance is going to cost loss, if the proposer had to have company at least £30) before

> type ones have the most direct commissions on term and convertible term policies will have to go up.

> Needless to say, these extra costs will not be coming out of customers who will have to pay. So do not delay - your life assuracne will almost certainly

# Societies guarantee is a key premium

those dependent on building maintain that differential. As society interest find their rates come down a premium of, income soucezed

Building societies' extra interest accounts are a popular choice for investors - but it is Far from reducing differen-important to check on the tials, one society, Cheltenham & guarantees when making your Gloucester, has improved the

rates come down a premium of, say, 1.0 per cent or 1.5 per cent becomes relatively more valuable.

pick, All extra interest accounts terms on its Cheltenham Gold

Guaranteed differentials is the pay a premium over the name of the game for building societies ordinary share rate – society investors, as interest now down to 6.25 per cent. But rates come tumbling down and not all societies guarantee to cent, giving a return of 7.5 per cent. tial over the ordinary share rate from 1.0 per cent to 1.25 per cent net of basic rate tax from April 1.

The only condition is that you must keep £1,000 or more in the account. If the balance falls below £1,000, you earn the ordinary interest rate of 6.25 per cent. There are no penalties on

One of the more attractive two-year term shares. On three-

Societies with guaranteed per cent.
differentials on their accounts Nation include the Learnington Spa (1.15 on its Top Ten share), the Stafford Railway Building Society (1.75 per cent) and ciety (1.75 per cent) and Chesham (1 per cent) on their

aspects of the premiums is that year investments the Nationsome of the societies offering wide, Cumberland, Darlington the biggest guaranteed differnand Hemel Hempstead building tials pay a higher return on their societies are all offering a ordinary share accounts too, guaranteed differential of 1.5

> Nationwide is paying 7.5 per cent on £1,000 invested in its Super Bonus account, the same as Cheltenham & Gloucester's Gold Account.

Insurance

#### Sun Life's tax relief blunder

It is difficult to imagine how some life assurance companies will survive the removal of tax relief, if current performance is relief, if current performance is, anything to go by. Sun Life claims in its promotional literature: "Wealth Builder Plan builds your wealth first, You enjoy a share in the profits of Sun Life Assurance and tax relief help from the Inland Revenue — who currently add £1.76 to very £10 you save".

This once-in-a-lifetime offer was sent to a reader of The Times, postmarked March 28 two weeks after the Chancellor removed tax relief on life assurance premiums.

"PS. Remember to take advantage of this special offer – apply by March 31, 1984. If you have any queries, please tele-phone the Sun Life Serviceline 0272 428481", says the Sun Life

A telephone call elicited an apologetic response from the polite salesgirl, who explained that the literature was now out of date. "We have had serveral calls about this", she volun-

The charitable explanation is that Sun Life had simply been inefficient. But how inefficient can you get?

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# Seeing through the salesman's patter

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With tax relief on life-assurance premiums a thing of the past, the salesmen will be cratching around for a new selling point. TOM TICKELL who will be writing a regular column for The Times, takes a lighthearted look at how to deter the more persistent of

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Thousands of people buy life insurance every year but in-surance salesmen have all but disappeared nowadays navel as financial consultants, financial planning advisers and. antil the Budget, even as tax-saving specialists. Since the Chancellor swept away tax relief on new policies, that last title should have gine. But the others, implying everything and meaning nothing, are almost everywhere.

Admittedly insurance brokers ell life insurance and theirs is the one title with any legal force. They are committed to offering contracts not just from one company but from a whole range. But people aware of the distiction at least know something of the subject, and are the group best able to look after their own interests.

The salesmen, whatever their verbal flag of convenienceg always stress that they have been on training courses. That is true, but does not neccessarily mean much. Two journalists from Which, the Consumers' Association magazine, enrolled on a course to find that they and



is usually just as much on learning how to sell, as it is on life insurance. Admittedly, if you are lazy about getting organized, poor life insurance is better than none at all. You will be lucky if you get a clear pictures of all the options because salesmen earn far more from selling one kind of contract, than another.

But they have a great gift for picking people who are adequately insured, whose only desire is to be rid of them. The best way to do that is to know your enemy's technique. The salesmen's first move is to ring the other trainees were selling out of the blue, announcing that you sound such an appalling life insurance four days later, they want to help with your

proposition that no company vould possibly take you on its "I'm going hang gliding for two hours on that first date," you announce cheerfully. "I've put on a lot of weight recently ~ and I make a point of playing squash every six months or so. Normally I get no excercise at all. Date three is out because

gradually, but inevitably, to the

conclusion that you need to protect yourself against it via

whatever will give a choice of

two or three separate times on

different days when you can meet. The idea is to shift the

question from whether you

actually want to see him to when you can find a suitable

They are persistent - hardly

surprising when almost all of them have to live entirely on

commission. One way to cool

their ardour is to ensure that

Most consultants, advisers or

life insurance.

That combination should put you top of the mortality pops and the consultant should be off the line before you have a chance to tell him how heavily you smoke.

I'm off to see the doctor about a

sharp rise in my blood press-

Otherwise you face a battle of wills. One man rang me two years ago announcing himself as a member of the financial caring profession, concerned to

flexible multi-option savings facility - a unit-linked insurance policy in PR-speak and after ten minutes brisk argument, he got the message.

Please give me the names of

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five or six of your friends, so that I can help them as I have helped you," he remarked before leaving. Getting an appointment is the salesmen's first great hurdle.

But even if he wins that battle, you have not lost the war. Many a consultant will tell you - a ear in his eye and a lie on his lips - about the couple he went to see three months earlier. The husband agreed to take out life insurance but never got round to signing the form. He died suddenly and his wife rang to announce that, whatever her miseries, the children would not suffer because he was in-sured... "Alas. I had the sured. terrible job of telling her he

No widow ever complained that her husband had too much life insurance goes the follow up. That is true. But remember that convertible term policies which give the most protection at minimum cost provide very little commission to the man who sells them. So they rarely

The consultant will usually stick to endowment ploicies. They certainly insure your life but also aim to provide you

with a large lump sum if you his salesmen would always survive the 10 or 15 years term recommend the right policy, of the policy.

He will outline various ways doing so. "Certainly", he of using that money when it replied. "We have half an see people did well for them- arrives - for a new house for hour's course in ethics as part selves. I was not struck by his paying school fees, or looking our training programme . . ." arrives - for a new house, for hour's course in ethics as part of

some point your eyes will give a telltake glitter and the salesman will know he has hit the hot button - as it is known to the A mass of graphs will then

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appear showing just how well you would have done if you had started investing your £20 or £30 each month 10 years ago, and were due to take out the cash today. But even the most incompetent investment manager could hardly fail to have made a profit over the past 10 years. Stockbrokers remember 1974 and particularly early 1975 with horror. Prices plummet downwards and city odds against the collapse of one high street bank were only five to

Life is very different now. Share prices are at their highest level ever and the air of euphoria is almost worrying. People who started policies a decade ago stepped on to an escalator that moved steadily upwards. There is no guarantee that the movement will be the same way now.

Meanwhile, tax relief gave a 15 per cent subsidy and that currency boosted the figures. Its disappearance may actually edge Britain towards the American pattern where life insurance is about insuring your life rather than avoiding tax.

Salesmen there have been known to carry little silver coffins in their lapels to remind prospecti customers of what it is all about, when all else fails, one last-ditch technique has been known to work wonders. They gaze at the obligatory picture of the children on the mantlepiece, shake their hands and murmur. "Sorry, kids". It usually brings out a chequebook in a micro-

Even so, no American life insurance salesmen has to travel under a pseudonym to conceal what he does. They are licensed by each state, having to pass exams which ensure they have expertise before starting. Professor Gower's report suggested that the same system should appear in Britain, and the sooner the better.

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Letters

### 'Unearned' injustice for wives

Sir, I really must challenge you

From Mr D G Lindsay

over your statement that there was now no difference between the treatment of "earned" an "unearned" income (Family Money, March 17). You have obviously forgotten the case of the poor married woman whose only income is from her investments. Due to aggregation, the whole of this income will almost certainly be taxed at 30 per cent, and might be taxed at 60 per cent, whereas if it were "earned", or if the poor woman had been single, it would be subject to a much lower rate, or

might even be tax-free.

Now that, at last, we have a Chancellor who can recognize an anomaly, injustice or distor-tion when he sees one, or when it is pointed out to him, could you not use your undoubted "clout" in the tax world to get this injustice put right, eg, by allowing married women to elect for separate taxation in respect of their "investment" income as well as their "earned" income (if any). Yours faithfully

D G Lindsay 36 Orchard Coombe Whitechurch Hill Reading

Medical sickness

Our article on pension-linked table showing comparitive per-formances of various pension plans. The figures for Medical Sickness were not directly comparable with the figures shown for other offices because these pensions continue to participate in profits after vesting. The bonus declared December 31, 1983, was 7.25 per cent compound plus a special bonus to mark the society's centenary.

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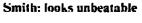
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The thin blue line through painted in the middle of the Central Park, which Geoff road that runs through the park, Smith followed to defeat in the while Rod Dixon, of New New York marathon six months ago, should prove the through the many corners of the successful starting point tomorrow in his campaign to get into tiring Smith only 400 metres

Butain's Olympic marathon from the end. But Smith's run Britain's Olympic marathon squad. Smith, a finals student at Providence College Rhode Island, runs the Perrier 10km. held in Central Park, in preparation for the Boston marathon, which he says he is selection. going to win, in two weeks'

Many people attribute Smith's defeat in his marathon debut last October to the fact that he followed the blue line



# Gratton's fitness race

Any lingering doubts about Mike 1hr 3min 50sec and he said tratton's fitness to make a vesterday. I will be using this as an Gratton's filness to make a successful defence of his London marathon title on May 13 should be dispelled in the first of a new series of races promoted by the Amateur

Athletic Association tomorrow.

Ciration spent the second half of last year trying to recover from the sciatica which led to his retirement from the world championship marathon in Helsinki last August. but now believes that he is ready to improve his personal best half-

marathon time Since spending three weeks in hospital last December. Gratton has not figured prominently in any significant race but hopes to put that right in the Thamesmead half-marathon which, together with the Gateshead tomorrow. launches the AAA series over the distance, sponsored by Pearl Assurance Gration's fastest time is Zealand, took the shortest line twisting course, and passed the from the front earned him the fastest-ever marathon time by a Briton, 2hr 9min 8sec, and projected him to the forefront in the race for Olympic

A win in Boston on April 17 would prove an unassailable argument for a team place, and Smith looks unbeatable here tomorrow. His American rivals should not prove difficult to overcome. Smith has won the race for the past three years, but the atrocious weather that has been battering New York for the past couple of days will make it

even less trouble in winning the women's race. Miss Tooby has been persuaded to stay on after her marvellous debut in the world cross-country champion-ships here last Sunday. She led for about 90 per cent of the race, before fading to eighth position; but that put the record straight. of the English national crosscountry six weeks ago.

indication of how I might expect to

The presence of Emiel Puttemans, the Belgian former world record holder at 5,000 metres, and

Ian Thompson, the former Com-monwealth and European marathon

champion, should ensure a fast pace

and help provide a pointer as to

whether Gration will be favourite on the starting line in Greenwich six

Belgian newspapers have reported that Putternans is to attempt to become the first man to beat the

hour while, in Gateshead, Gerry

Helme, who was second to Gratton in London last year, will be warming up for the Rotterdam marathon on April 14, when he will

be looking for a time fast enough to

guarantee him a place in the Olympics.

weeks from now.

Sunday's Brazilian Grand Prix. Although Formula Two cars

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A richly talented driver with a chequered career: Mike Thackwell practising in the latest Ralt-Honda

# Powerful challenge to Thackwell

The first major European race of the 1984 season takes hard for him to get near his record of 28min 40sec

Angela Tooby should have Formula Two championship Formula Two championship over 47 laps of Silverstone's 2.9 mile grand prix circuit. With the 1982 and 1983

**RACKETS** 

Public schools clash

By William Stephens

ťourth.

champions now ensconced in Formula One, there is a lot at stake for the 23 entrants, for some of whom the series will mean the last hurdle before the promised land of grand prix after the psychological block racing. The 1983 champion, Dr Jonathan Palmer, made bis Formula One debut when he finished a ceditable ninth in last

> are less powerful than the grand prix machines, with turbocharging prohibited and engines limited to six cylinders and a maximum capacity of two litres,

Unbeaten this term, Rupert Owen-Browne and Simon Davies, of Tonbridge, are the strongest pair.

and Owen-Browne the outstanding

player in the public schools doubles

championship which begins at Queen's Club tomorrow. With good results this term, David Dick and

Stephan Seagrave of Harrow are second seeds with Peter Baily and

Matthew Smail, of Eton, third,

although Eton won at Harrow last

they are almost as fast as their grand prix brothers and, in the search for split-second advantage, employ the latest technology. The new March 942 car, for example, incorporates a carbon-fibre chassis top-section and its engine is slightly tilted to allow for special groundrunner-up last season. Thackwell has had a che-

effect bodywork which increases cornering speeds. In recenttesting the March driver, Thierry Tassin, lapped Silverstone at 139 mph, and the experienced Belgian and his teammates, Emanuele Pirro, of Italy and the former French Three champion, Pierre Petit, will clearly mount a formidable challenge this sea-

Their March cars use BMW engines and the European championship will be further enlivened by the rivalry between

had been done. Adam Jeavons and Charles Mason of Malvern are

Doubles, being traditionally more

important at school, this compe-tition is the most challenging of the year. More rackets is being played now at these schools than ever

before. Schools are regularly fielding

four pairs in matches instead of one

of two and, vital for the future of the

game, more under-15 matches are being played.

BMW and Honda. It was a Honda-engined Ralt car which carried Palmer to success and leading that team's 1984 challenge is the talented Australian, Mike Thackwell, who was

quered career. In 1980 he became the youngest driver to qualify for a world championship grand prix, in a one-off drive for Ken Tyrrell. He won the 1981 Daily Express Inter-national Trophy, but a near-fatal testing accident at Thrux-ton checked his progress and it was not until last season that he bounced back into contention. leading the championship at one

On of the Australian's main rivals should be his teammate,

the current Ferrari star. experienced German, Christian Danner and the stylish Argentinian, Enrique Mansilla, whom many tip to replace the retired Carlos Reutemann in grand prix

the main engine manufacturers, a protégé of the world cham-BMW and Honda. It was a pion, Nelson Piquet.

The 10-nation driver line-up also includes a French Formula Three champion, Michel Ferte and the quick Italian, Ales-sandro Nannini, driving for the Minardi team, which launched Michele Alboreto. Among the other drivers to watch are the

As well as providing an opportunity to see the grand prix stars of tomorrow in the Formula Two race, the Silvers tone meeting includes the third round of the Mariboro British

the Brazilian, Roberto Moreno, Formula Three championship.

**CRICKET** 

# Hoping to make amends

Colombo (Reuter) - New Zea-land, having crushed Sri Lanka 2-0 n the test series, are expected to eries of one-day internationals. The touring side convincingly won their first overseas series since

1970, beating Sri Lanka in the first test match by 165 runs and the third ov an innings and 61 runs. The second Test match was drawn. The visitors are already one up in the series of three one-day internationals, having won the first y 104 runs early in the tour, and they are favourites to maintain the

lead in the remaining two matches to be played today and tomorrow.

Duleep Mendis, the captain of Sri Lanka said his side would try to make amends for their failure in the test matches by doing better in the

one-day games.
New Zealand lost 42 wickets while accumulating 1.257 runs from 480.3 overs in the Test series, but Sri Lanka lost 59 wickets while scoring 1.173 runs from 464.1 overs Seamers accounted for 69 of the 102 wickets which fell to bowlers during the Test series. Hadlee finishing with 23 wickets.

# The flying Irishman could spread his wings over Flanders

Sean Kelly, of Ireland, is hoping to make use of his excellent form to win the sixtyeighth Tour of Flander's race. which takes place tomorrow over a difficult 166-mile route in the east of Belgium. After winning the Paris to Nice race and the Criterium International stage races in the past three wecks, Kelly has a clear lead in the 1984 Super Prestige Pernod competition, for which the Tour of Flanders is the fourth

qualifying event.

Kelly finished second in this competition last year, when he was just beaten by Greg Lemond. the young American world champion. Yesterday Lemond underwent a four-hour training ride, taking in 11 of the 12 steep hills that will have to be climbed in the race.

"This has to be the toughest route of any classic," Lemond said, as he reached the top of the cobbled one-in-five slopes of the Mur de Grammont. "After the Koppenberg, the second hill, there will probably be only 10 riders left in with a ance out of the 200 starters. And I aim to be one of those

Privately, the American tips his Australian friend, Phil Anderson to win tomorrow because he has the stronger team for these Belgian classics." Anderson is the joint-leader of the Panasonic-Raleigh squad. with two Belgians, Eddy Planckaert and Eric Vanderaerden. It was Planckaert who won the Het Volk Classic, a similar but much shorter race, a month ago. A big factor in the race is likely to be the absence of Jan tomorrow.



Kelly: excellent form

raas, the 1983 winner of the Tour of Flanders. The Dutchman must main in bed for a crash in the Milan-San Remo race in Italy two weeks ago. when he aggravated an old back

Kelly decided to maintain his fitness this week by taking part in a three-day race at La Panne. He finished eleventh, which did not upset him, and made only one real effort during the race, when he closed, single-handedly, a one-minute gap on a breakaway group during the second stage. Observers said the irishman was flying. Perhaps he will spread his wings again

HOCKEY

#### **Problems for Blackheath** By Sydney Friskin

do without Bajinder Daved for their club championship quarter-final against Pickwick tomorrow. In view of his commitment with Kenya in the Olympic qualifier at Barcelona. it seems unlikely that he will return in time to play for his club.

Peter Dabreo will be at centre half in Daved's place, but Blackheath have another problem. Nim Kalsi, who scored five goals in the match against Chesterfield, is injured, and his abscuce will weaken the attack. Like Blackheath, Pickwick have a fair proportion of Asian talent, which includes Dalbir Sidhu who has been picked for the Midlands in the senior divisional tournament at Seaford College, on April 7 and 8. Peter Head has returned from his

skiing holiday to bring East Grinstead up to full strength for their home match against South-gate. Head will play at inside right alongside James Leman on the wing Richard Leman will be at centre half and Mike Leman, the captain, at sweeper full back, in the absence of Alistair McGinn, who is on holiday. Craig takes over the captaincy of Southgate who, though now at the top of their form, will have a hard match against East Grinstead.

Blueharts will miss Brooker who is not available for their home match against Hounslow, and he will be replaced, in deep defence, by Whitehead. They have also called on two Hertfordshire players, Swatman in goal, and Watts.

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RFU vote by a big majority for tour of South Africa

By David Hands, Rugby Correspon

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The RFU have received

requests from four overseas unions. Fiji (who toured Eng-

land and Scotland in 1982). Jamaica, Bermuda and the

Bahamas, not to tour and they

will be taking what they describe as "prudent measures" against attempted disruption or

representative games at Twi-ckenham during the remainder

Players who may be asked to

tour have not yet been specifi-cally approached about their availability, though soundings have been taken. When the

itinerary has been confirmed,

within the next week, the selectors will discuss the party.

By then England squad mem-

bers may also have received a

letter from Bishop Huddleston

asking them if "in all conscience

the land of apartheid.

goes ahead.

they can contemplate playing in

members of the touring party will think twice before granting

them leave." the Bishop con-

tinued. "I am confident that the trade unions will make their

departure as difficult as poss-

ible. I know that Common-

wealth governments and sport-

ing organizations will make it very clear that English sport will

pay a very high price if this tour

written to Mrs Thatcher asking her to meet the RFU and

"convey to them your personal

desire that they reconsider their

decision." He quotes as a

precedent the intervention made by President Mitterand

when the French Rugby Feder-ation intended to fulfill a tour in

South Africa last year. That tour

did not go ahead, but Albert Ferrasse, the federation presi-dent, has since declared his

intention of sending a team to

South Africa in two years' time.

Commonwealth secretary-gen-

eral, said it was not too late for

the FRU to change their minds

and cancel the tour. But, the

decision having been taken, the

much. It will be no consolation.

involving South Africans.

Shridath Ramphal,

Bishop Huddleston has also

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of the scason.

The Rugby Football Union. Itie you often upset people. We consistent as ever in their traditional friendships and in their stated policy of playing rugby football "against anyone. regardless of race, colour or creed and in any country with which our country has normal diplomatic relations, con-firmed yesterday that they will accept an invitation to send an England team to South Africa in

May.
The RFU committee, meeting at the London Hilton hotel. voted for the tour by 44 to six, with Ron Jacobs, the president. abstaining. Three committee members were unable to be present for the two-hour discussion, which produced a widely anticipated conclusion.

It also produced a widely anticipated reaction from antiapartheid groups. Bishop Trevor Huddleston, president of the Anti-Apartheid Movement. said he was "shocked and angered", and Sam Ramsamy, spokesman for the South African Non-Racial Olympic Committee (SANROC), said his organization would lobby all African, Caribbean and Asian members to force England out of the 1986 Commonwealth Games in Edinburgh.

The RFU have received some 50 or 60 letters from private individuals urging them to tour. and a dozen from organizations urging them not to. In a prepared statement yesterday Air Commodore Bob Weighill. secretary to the RFU, said: "In preparation for the debate which was held today, all papers, letters and representations both for and against the tour which have been received at Twickenham were brought to the notice of the committee so that they could be fully briefed on all aspects and opinions.

"Following the debate\_today the committee of the RFU has decided to proceed with the tour of South Africa later this year as scheduled in the IRFB International Rugby Football Board) programme of tours for member unions and in line with the policy which the RFU has followed consistently in visiting South Africa in 1972 and in. support of Lions tours in 1974 Union are unlikely 10 be and 1980 with the other home swayed, and Mr Jacobs said as

No itinerary has yet been worked out for the tour but it is expected to encompass seven matches, including two internationals, against teams picked on a multi-racial basis. In the longer term it will offer encouragement to New Zealand to proceed with a tour to South Africa next year and to the Lions, who are scheduled to visit the republic in 1986.

Mr Jacobs said the committee felt their decision should not affect other sporting organizations, particularly those of which the RFU was not a member, nor did they regard it as an insult to black sportsmen in this country: We believe contact in this context is more profitable, more constructive, than leaving people out in the

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RUGBY UNION: DECISION AND REACTION AS EXPECTED

# the Willcox hallmark

Ampleforth wrote a glowing chapter into the history of the National Schools seven-a-side tour-nament on Rosslyn Park's swamp at Rochampton yesterday, when they beat a gallant seven from Rossall in

the final of the Festival competition by two goals and a try to a try. It was Ampleforth's third tri-umph in a row. Presenting the Moss, Bros and Bedford Modern old boys' challenge cup, Neil Macfarlane, secretary of state for the environ-ment, paid tribute to the part played in their successes by John Willcox, formerly of Harlequins and England and master-in-charge of rugby over the last decade. the last decade.

Ampleforth's seven bore the stamp common to all of Wilcox's sides in that an overall competence and skill was apparent whether they were back pedalling - in this case paddling - or going forward and probing in attack. Carvill was their general, as well as their captain, and at all times played with great zest. Ampleforth led 10-0 at half time through ties by Anthony Brown and Schulte, the second of which Carvill converted. In the second period Schulte coared again and Calling man

# Somerset weakened by three withdrawals

By David Hands, Rugby Correspondent Gloucestershire and Somerset. - heroics their back row can conjure

who contest the final of the county championship, sponsored by Thorn Gadd, Hesford and the Gloucesterto the FRU that their colleagues on the Welsh Rugby Union are EMI, at Twickenham today, have shire captain, Rafter. walked a tightrope on the way. Gloucestershire, the favourites by they are to meet representatives of the Mid-Glamorgan County virtue of their successful tradition in Council to discuss the threat of this competition, whatever the formula, won by three points council sanctions against teams against Northumberland and one against Middlesex. The same margins separated Somerset from Lancashire and Middlesex and, in Ironically, Neil Macfarlane, the Minister for Sport, who has the semi-final, they beat Yorkshire with a hotly disputed drop goal.

had the task on the Government's behalf, of discouraging Neither county could be said, therefore, to have taken a decisive the RFU from touring, was at another rugby function yestergrip upon the competition and Somerset's chances of winning it for day: the concluding day of the Rosslyn Park schools sevens the first time in 61 years have been weakened by the enforced with tournament, where only the playing surface muddled the drawal, through injury, of three players: Hill is replaced at scrum Mr Macfarlane said: "I'm obviously disappointed but not half by his Bath colleague. Stanley: Cuttningham by another Bath hooker, Bess; and Williams, the altogether surprised by the RFU wing, is replaced

committee's decision. This is a free country and ultimately it's for the RFU to decide Thus 14 of the side are from the Bath club, the exception being the solid Bristol lock. Stiff, engagingly known to his friends as "Biffo". There will be a compact look to the side, which served the club well when they were outscrummaged in the John Player Cup by Wasps, yet won the day by the wit and vision of their backs, among whom Horton

was the key figure.
Gloucestershire. I suspect, will exert even more pressure on a comparitively small pack and this, in turn, will be transmitted to Stanley. If their possession is disrupted at source. Somerset will

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Jean-Pierre Rives, the French captain, has withdrawn from the tour of New Zealand in May and June for "personal reasons". Rives, who had allowed himself to be included in a provisional squad of 44 for the tour, yesterday told the French Rugby Federation president, Albert Ferrasse, that he preferred to Albert Ferrasse, that he preferred to take a break from international Ron Jacobs yesterday: "We are not deliberately being controversial." (Photograph: Tony Weaver)

in which France parrowly missed winning the grand slam. However,

winning the grand stam. However, he refused to say whether yesterday's move meant he was refiring from international rugby for good.

"There is no significance to draw from it," he said. He also denied h was satiated with rugby. But Jacques Feroux, the French coach, said: "If he does not come (to New Zealand) I believe he will never play for Rives, aged 31, had been expected of announce his retirement from 1 believe he will never play for

forward took his decision.

#### **SNOW REPORTS**

# Drugs case weightlifter convicted

Montreal (AFP( - Terry Hadlow, the Canadian weightlifter, has been convicted of illegalty importing anabolic steriods on his return from the world championships in Moscow last year. He will be sentenced on April 30, when he faces a prison term of up to three years and a fine of up to \$5,000 (£2,730).

Judge Gilbert Morier said at Thursday's bearing that chemical analysis of substances found in

Hadlow's luggage on October 31 proved that he had imported methandrostenelone, containing anabolic steriods, a body-building

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drug.
Hadlow was arrested when he landed at Montreal Airport with three other weightlifters. In their suitcases Customs officers found 414 phials of testosterone and 22,515 tablets of anobolic steriods, the prosectution said.

Hadlow's lawyer said he would appeal against the conviction. The other weightlifters, Jacques Demers and Michel Pietracupa face trial in May and June respectively; the fourth was acquitted in January. SNOOKER: Alex Higgins heat Ray Reardon 5-2 to qualify for the seminals of the Irish Masters tournament at ages. Kildare Higgins's ment, at goss, Kildare. Higgins's best break of 74 came in the first frame, which he won by 116-17:

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# Another Ampleforth cup to carry

It was fine and sunny in the morning when King's Taunton and Rossall, the first two among 15 group winners, started out in search of a place in the quarter-final round.

At this stage only Rossall, an outstanding seven, showed themselves to be obviously the better side and got home easily by 18 points to nil. Sherborne were given a thorough test by Downside and Tonbridge made Durham work hard for their 10-4 victory, before Marlborough's spirited tackling brought out the best in Ampleforth. The quarter-final round was markedly different in that the four best schools coasted through with room to spare. Rossal were too good

room to spare. Rossal were too good for Trent. Sherborne showed themselves to a class above Haberdashers' Aske's, whom they beat 30-0, and Durham, with two replacements in their side, overcame Queen's Taunton. Carvill was outstanding in Ampleforth's 22-0

taking Gloucestershire to retain the

championship on the pinth occasion

it has been played at Twickenham.

The certainty that their tight forwards - including Fidler, the Gloucester lock, who will be making

a record ninth appearance in a county final – are good enough to give their backs ample set-piece possession, that their loose forwards

should at least share secondary ball and that those backs have the talent

to produce points, whether through the boot of Barnes or the strength

and finishing of the eternal Morley.

Away from the final. Dodge, the

Away from the final, Dodge, the England centre, makes his first senior appearance for Leicester since breaking his left leg in December when his club paly Headingley; Wasps travel to Gosforth without two more England players, Davies and Colclough.

# to regain

In one respect both sides will have a point to make to England's selectors, who nodded in the direction of the West Country early in the season and then turned away, leaving the England team against Wales with only three westerners, of whom two, Scott and Dun, play their rugby in Cardiff and London. There are substantial reasons for

days of the so-called unofficial championship, and who did not start to build a side until around 1960, have made the official championship almost their own. Even more difficult to accept, but Scotland, they have done it with only one XV, and without calling on players who have no connexion with the town.

with the town.

Today they are almost bound to take back from Gala the Scottish championship, something they regard these days almost as theirs by right. Boroughmuir provide the opposition at Mansfield. Should Hawick succeed (and with respect to the Edinburgh side that is almost a certainty) it will be their seventies.

Schweppes-sponsored competition.

Hawick start this afternoon with two advantages. First, they know that even defeat for them will still leave Gala with an almost impossible task to overtake them. Then they have the knowledge that Jim Renwick, just chosen to go on tour with Scotland to Rumania in May, where almost certainly he will become the most capped Scotsman

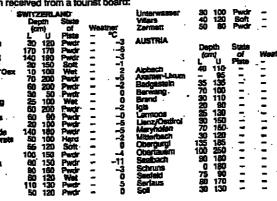
# Rives' pull-out prompts speculation

France again." He added that it would be difficult for Rives to regain his position in the French team. He had explained the situation to Rives before the wing

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# Hunting pays penalty for a slip of the tongue

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#### Moseley face junior club

Berry Hill, the Gloucestershire Cup holders and the most successful junior club in that county this season, today visit Moseley, whose match with Gloucester has been postponed until next Wednesday because of the county championship

Moseley were hoping for a game against a senior club but they may find Berry Hill tough enough opponents and could be glad they are back to almost full strength.

# Hawick out the title

By Jain Mackenzie

Last season Hawick, who since the Second World War have dominated the Scottish season suffered an ignominious setback. They were beaten into the runners-up position in the National League by Gala, and that is rather like saying that Liverpool were beaten into second place by Everton.

Hawick, who managed to gather only the occasional title in the old

certainty), it will be their seventh success in the 11 seasons of the

Banco Roma win through when all seemed lost

deneva (Reuter) - Banco Roma achieved a third successive Italian victory in the European men's basketball Champion Clubs' Cup when they beat Barcelona 79-73 in the final here on Thursday.

The Spanish club seemed to be coasting to a comfortable win when they led 42-32 at half-time, and in complete dominance till half-way through the second session, when they were leading 52-43. But a dazzling burst of power-play masterminded by Carry Wright. Banco's American import, saw the Italians level at 56-all with 10 minutes to the final whistle.

The Italian fans in the packed 8,000 capacity stadium crupted as the slightly-built Wright toyed with the Barcelona defence. He put Banco in front for the first time. 59-58, with 10 minutes to go and scored again in the next 10 seconds. Barcelona fought back, but scemed to have run out of steam. They managed to close the gap to 73-75 but failed to reassert their earlier

# Couples goes two up and sets course record

It has become a familiar feature of the 1984 United States golf tour for a player to spring out of the pack and win a title with a sparkling last round. Even so, Fred Couples set such a furious pace early on the second day of the Tournament Players' Championship at the Players Club at Sawgrass that a number of players were in

danger of losing touch.
In the end, Couples set a new record for the course with a 64 which gave him a 36-hole aggregate of 135. Jim Thorpe, who led after the opening round, had a 69 to be on 137, Severiano Ballesteros stayed in contention with a 68 for 138.
Couples, who won the Kem-

per Open last year, started his round by driving into the trees to drop a shot at the first. However, he holed from 12 feet for a birdie at the long second and he watched in delight as an 80-yard wedge shot at the 360yard fourth went into the cup for an eagle two. At the seventh and eighth, he holed from seven feet and 30 feet to reach the turn in 32, and he continued to make exciting progress by collecting three birdies in his next four

Couples has the record this season for the longest drive on the tour, as awesome 337 yards in Hawaii, and so it was

became the first player in the Saab junior series to lose a match on a penalty game

In his opening match with Neil Pashley, of Surrey, in the 16-and-under finals at Bram-hall, Hunting was first warned for "racket abuse" in the second

set then the tournament referee,

Nick McCallen, issued him with penalty point in the seventh game of the third set. On the

first point of the third set tie-

break, Hunting gave tongue to an "audible obscenity" after

failing to return a heavily spun

service from Pashley and was deducted the deciding game. Pashley, the younger player

by close on a year, was at once

awarded the match, 3-6, 7-5, 7-

6. However, since Hunting was not actually defaulted, he will

have the chance to do some-

thing to repair his reputation

BASKETBALL

yesterday.

inevitable that three of his nine possivble to reach this green in birdies should come at par two - as Ballesteros illustrated

and down from bunkers. Nevertheless he emphasized that his game is steadily coming together again by hitting a superb third shot into the ninth (582 yards) which covered the stick the entire way, to set up a birdie and take him to the turn in 35. The Spaniard, striding purposefully along the fairways, had birdies at the twelfth, sixteenth and seventeenth holes to complete his 68.

Ballesteros drove well throughout the round, and with a little more fortune on the greens he might have finished closer to Couples. Nevertheless, he had the satisfaction of making a two at the island seventeenth (132 yards) where no less than 64 balls finished in the water in the first round.

Thorpe, who on the opening day did not drop a single shot, kept that record intact by playing the first 10 holes yeslerday in level par.
At the eleventh (529 yards),

GIRLS' SRIGLES (16 and under): A Simplin (Laicestershire) bt J Reeves (Kert) 6-3, 6-2, 7 Catin (Cumbridgethire) bt C Bhaguandas (Middless) 6-4, 6-3; Foundridge (Dorset) bt S McCarthy (Avon) 6-1, 6-1.

GIRLS' SINGLES (14 and under): N Entra (Dorset) bit R Stokes (Nottingherralism) 6-2, ( C. A Hill (Devon) bit M Mair (East of Scotland) (

Olympic Games

Games in Los Angeles this summer

**TENNIS** 

Anthony Hunting son of today in that this is an event John Hunting, who will referee run along round robin lines. football's FA Cup Final in May, GIRLS SNGLES (16 and under A Simolan

birdies should come at par fives. His only mistake during an immaculate round came at the last, where a wayward drive cost him a shot.

Ballesteros made a series of errors early on and was compelled to save pars on no fewer than four occassions in the firs eight holes by getting up and down from bunkers. Neverage of his way to a first round of 70, which enabled him to share third place with Johnny Miller and Nick Price. of South Africa — but it is a risky business: the green is protected not only by a bunker which is 100 yards long. Thorpe took the conservative route, seeking to lav-up with a

Thorpe took the conservative route, seeking to lay-up with a four iron, but he struck the ball too heavily and deposited it into the bunker. Twice he moved it some 20 yards forward but twice that was not enough to get onto the green. Eventually he splashed out to four feet, but from there he missed, to mark a seven on his scorecard.

If that seven disturbed him, he disguised it well, for he counter-attacked in grand style, by collecting five birdies over the last seven holes.

SECOND ROUND: Early leaders: 135: F Couples (US), 71, 64, 137: J Thorpe (US), 68, 69, 138: S Ballesteros (Sp), 70, 68, L Wadduns (US), 72, 68, 139; J Miller (US), 70, 69, 140: J Haas (US), 71, 69, 142: P Oosterhuis (GB), 73, 69; N Price (SA), 70, 72. L Trevino (US), 76, 68.

#### New World Cup

Frankfurt (Reuter) - A pure gold replica of the Jules Rimet Trophy, the World Cup stolen and meled down in Brazil last year, was handed to a Brazilian delegation at a soccial ceremony here yesterday.

#### CRICKET Shock for Australia

Bridgetown (Reuter) - A unbrugetown (Reduct) - A Un-broken second wicket stand of 67 between Graeme Wood and Greg Ritchie softened an early blow Australia suffered after being put in by West Indies in the third Test

Steve Smith was caught behind off Malcolm Marshall for 10 with the total at 11 in the fourth over, but Wood and Ritchie took Australia to The pitch contained none of the

lift and movement West Indies might have expected to exploit after consecutive time in the series.

BOYS' SNGLES (14 and under): C Beacher (Nent) bt I Nicholes (Staffordshire) 6-4, 5-3; N Smith (Lancashire) bt M Petchey (Essex) 2-6, 5-3, 6-1; J Hunter (Surrey) bt M Aldridge (Middlesex) 6-4, 6-0; U Nganga (Norlošk) bt J I anton (Bedfordshire) 6-3, 8-2. Three Swedes for Total (1 wckt ) Stockholm. Sweden (AP) - The Swedish Tennis Federation have nominated three players, including Mats Wilander, the Australian Open champion, and Stefan Edberg, the holder of the jurior grand slam, for the men's singles under-20 exhibition tournament at the Olympic Games in Los Angeles this summer. ALL OF WICKET: 1-11.

K J Hughes (captain). A R Border, D V Hookes, W B Philips, G F Lawson, T G Hogen R M Hogg, T M Alderman, to bat. BOWLING: TO DATE: Garner 7-2-21-0 Marshall 5-0-18-1, Holding 7-1-19-0 Baptists 5-0-18-0, Harper 3-0-4-0.

WEST RIDIES: C.G. Greendige, D.L. Haynes, I.V. A. Richards, R. B. Richardson, C. H. Lloyd (captain), P. J. Dujon, E. A. E. Baptista, M. D. Marshaf, R.A. Harper, J. Garner, M.A. Holding.

headache. Hardcore has been laid on the soggy ground there in preparation for a busy weekend, which begins with the novice sections today.

Princess Anne has been forced to withdraw Mission Lake, because her

young horse has a knee injury, but her husband, Captain Mark Phillips,

will have a strong team. He rides his

two Badminton entries, Classic Lines and Fieldsman, in the advanced class tomorrow, Captain

Phillips has recently accepted an

invitation to ride a borrowed horse

at the Lexington three-day event to be held in the United States during

#### **EQUESTRIANISM**

# International field day

By a Special Correspondent

This weekend is Brigstock horse box and car park as their main trials in Northamptonshire has altracted most of those now in training for the Bodminton three-day event that begins on April 12. Competitors for tomorrow's advanced class will include a strong international entry, with riders from Sweden, New Zealand, the Nether-lands, United States and Australia. Some of the advanced horses will

do their dressage today - among them Beagle Bay, one of Lucinda Green's two Badminton entries. Mrs Green also rides her immensely promising young horse, Brass Monkey, in the intermediate.

Fortunately, the organizers have sited their cross-country fraces on the driest ground, leaving the horse

A new Eve for a new breed Germantown, Tennessee (AP) -'A in the United States in about 100 90-pound filly trained Windrush Eve was born here on Wednesday night -- A thoroughbred mare, Marsha's

was bern here on Wedecaday night—
the first of a new breed called the
American Sport Horse.

Melanie Smith, a member of the
US Olympic show-jumping team,
said the horse is the first new breed

A thoroughbred mare, Marsha's
Curl, was impregnated by a
zurogan-bred jumper through
artificial insemination and the
embryo was then brought to term by
a surrogate mother.

Colin Still plans a better place for women gymnasts

# New coach aims to put Britain up among the world's elite

comparative isolation, Colin Still, who on Monday takes up coach for women, has proven success as a team coach. Since 1978 he has been a

British women's team coach and only last month his club team at Loughton won the national team championship. Furthermore, his immediate aim concerns the British team in that he is resolved to raise their world ranking above the 17th position to which they dropped at last year's world championship.
Based at Lilleshall National

Sports Centre, Still will be primarily in charge of the selection and preparation of all women's national squads. He will be responsible to John Atkinson, technical director of the British Amateur Gymanstics Association. Three years ago his predecessor, Annette Stapleton, was not only part-time but did not have such difinitive terms of reference. To help him with his task, Still will rely on a national network of five zone coaches and 13 regional coaches who will act in part as talent scouts. While he is confident that promising youngsters will be brought to his notice, he is concerned tha late developers may slip throught the organizational net to this end he will look at any kid with



As every gymnast has to form a close-working relationship with her club coach. Still will devote one third of his time to the development of coaches at all levels. He will provide the leadership and liaison that were lacking in the past; in return he expects coaches to show more professionalism and discipline, particularly where national training is involved. There is no room in his world for what he calls "soft" coaches. He says uncompromisingly: "When I make a decision, however clinical it may sound, I expect it

to be kept."

Blonde, balding and with an almost tacitum manner, Still is a Londoncr. Aged 30, he trained at Borough Road College to be a teacher of physical education

ation with gymnastics training began 12 years ago when he became a coach at Loughton Hall Sports Centre. His success with the Loughton gymnasts took him into regional activities when he worked to his advantage with Pauline Prestidge, doyenne of British coaches, who was then chief coach of the leading Ladywell club. Still became a national squad coach in 1976 and has had experience since in

nationals

His new appointment comes too late to influence the performance of the two girls represent Britain at the Los Angeles Olympic Games in July. Next year the world championships will be staged in Montreal, which is the next opportunity for countries to ascertain their world status. The so-called first division of

instructing budding inter-

world gymnastics is confined to the leading 12 nations ans Still determined that Britain should join them as soon as possible. As one of the elite Britain could then send a full team of six to future Olympics. Whether this membership can be achieved next year remains to be seen but Still's

drive, experience and avail-ability should have stimulated by then nothing less than encouraging progress

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**BIG-RACE FIELD** 3.20 SEAGRAM GRAND NATIONAL CHASE (Handicap: £60,853: 4m 4f) 0F4202 CORBLERE (CD) (BF) (B Burrough) Mrs J Pitman 9-12-0

(Light blue and orange chevrons, blue sleeves and cap)
0-22002 ASHLEY HOUSE (BF) (J McLoughān) M W Dickinson 10-11-13

(Emerald green, white cross-beits, light blue sleeves, black cap)

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LUCKY VANE (Miss B Swire) G Balding 9-10-13.....

(White, black cross-belts, red and white quartered cap) 40FF00 HAZY DAWN (R Daniels) T Casey (Ire) 9-10-8.....Mr W P Mulins

BURNT OAK (BF) (Brig C Harvey) D Nicholson 8-10-7

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RID DAY GUN (R Gibbons) J Webber 10-10-2.

YER MAN (B) (N Keane) A McNamara (Ire) 9-10-2

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Yer Man, 33 Burnt Oak, Bush Guide, Carl's Weger, Midnight Love, Two Swallows, 40 Earthstopper, Hill of Slane, Silent Valley, 50 others.

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(Chocolate, yellow spots, chocolate cap)...........Maj M Wallace FORTUNE SEEKER (Mrs G McKey) (J Cox) (Ira) 9-10-0

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(White, redspots, royal blue and white hooped sleeves, blue of 420143 FETHARD PRIEND (H H Kals Al-Sald) F Flood (Ire) 9-10-12

(Mauve and white hoops, quartered cap). ELIOGARTY (Miss C Beasley) J Hessett (Ire) 9-11-5

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By Mandarin (Michael Phillips)

Burnt Oak has more than just Military Gold Cup at Sandown a sporting chance of winning Park has been made to look all the Grand National, which is the more excusable because being sponsored by Seagrams Special Cargo has won twice in for the first time, at Aintree the meantime. today. Yesterday the bulletins coming from Burnt Oak's camp were extremely encouraging. David Nicholson, the trainer,

said: "He will love the ground and he's 'top-hole' as far his racing weight for this marathon. condition is concerned. All he does is jump and stay; an ideal National horse, in my opinion". Peter Scudamore, Burnt Oak's talented rider, had this to say: 'He's got a great chance, God willing, certainly as good a chance as any other on this ground and I'm very much looking forward to the ride on

In recent years, the cup of emotion has overflowed after the National, with Red Rum, Aldaniti, Grittar and Corbiere all making unique contributions to the race's history, It will do ......F Berry so again if Burnt Oak returns home in triumph because he is owned by Brigadier Roscoe Harvey, one of racing's best loved and most respected

Had the ground been heavy I would not have fancied the Brigadier's chance of seeing a dream come true, but now that it is more or less perfect by jumping standards, I do believe that Burnt Oak will give his followers a great run. He is a bold, free-running jumper who should be in his element attacking the big Aintree fences. And being near the front all the way, as Corbiere was 12 months ago, he should avoid any

...G McCourt

Liverpool can make a mockery of form as we saw on Thursday, but good form is also a part of Burnt Oak's make-up. He won twice at Newbury in the first half of the season, and more recently his defeat by Special Cargo in the Grand

With only two races under his belt this year, Burnt Oak should be as fresh as any runner in the field. And with only 10st 7lb to carry, he has an ideal

If forced to draw up a short list of Burnt Oak's rivals. I would include Greasepaint, the favourite. Broomy Bank and Spartan Missile as well. Greasepaint finished second to Corbiere 12 months ago, beaten threequarters of a length. In the meantime, he has been bought and trained specifically with today in mind.

If Greasepaint is successful Dermot Weld, his trainer, will become the first man this century to pull off the Spring Double having won the Lincoln last Saturday with Saving Mercy. Obviously, the handicapper took last year's result into account when compiling the weights for this years' race but I feel that Greasepaint will not be as badly affected by his rise to 11st 2lb as Corbiere will carrying as much as 12st.

gone entirey according to plan. Broomy Bank entered many people' calculations when he won the Kim Muir Challenge Trophy so decisively at Cheltenham. Now he represents a great chance for Jim Wilson, his amateur rider, to join the élite Aintree. who have won a National as well as a Cheltenham Gold Cup.

ridden by an amateur. That did not stop Grittar two years ago. and it did not stop Ben Nevis and Jay Trump before him. The His hopes of doing so are runner-up to Aldaniti in that pinned on Ashley House, a epic race three years ago, Spartan Missile is now thought to be infinitely sharper than he House, even though he was



Burnt Oak shows the sort of jumping that could carry him to success over Aintree's fearsome fences.

was 12 months ago, when he was disappointing. His latest run at Cheltenham was certainly encouraging and I regard him as good each-way value in view of his overall record at

This is Michael Dickinson's last chance of winning a Spartan Missile will also be National before he turns his attention to flat racing and becomes Robert Sangster's private trainer at Whatcombe. good jumper, and Carl's Wager. Of the two I prefer Ashley

Nottingham recently.

Like Corbiere, Grittar is much softer, attempting to win the race for a

second time. His latest run at Market Rasen did not bode Balding respectively the traina much better performance this

ably prefer the ground to be others have cried enough.

Denys Smith and Toby

well, but I would never put it ers of the National winners. past John Francome to conjure Aligator and Highland Wedding, are now banking on failed to last it out and that flaw Midnight Love and Lucky Vanc in his stamina could prove his Eliogarty, the crack Irish to give them a second taste of undoing again, hunter, has been the medium of this particularly sweet victory, a colossal ante-post gamble that My feeling is that neither are would drain every bookmaker's sufficiently good jumpers to saichel in the country. How- weather Aintree, although Baldever, a study of the form book ing disagrees. What is certain is will show that along with last that stamina is Lucky Vane's being made into the once all-year's third. Yer Man and strong suit. If he jumps all right male preserve.

beaten by Two Swallows at Tacroy, Eliogarty would prob- he will be running on when Hallo Dandy's trainer, Gordon Richards, is another who has won the race before. Hello-Dandy has been primed especially for the occasion. welve months ago he palpably  $\chi_{\mathbf{i},j}^{*} \in \mathbb{R}^{n}$ 

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Valene Alder will be the only woman jockey competing this Bush Guide represents the best chance of yet another inroad

# Michael Seely's A to Z guide to the Grand National runners

ANOTHER CAPTAIN: Andy Scott, the Wizard of . Nooperton, will need to wave his magic wand over the Timeform - labelled 'funny old customer". Jockey Andrew Stringer takes first venture into the unknown

on this moody stayer.

ASHLEY HOUSE: Spectacular jumping won Michael (Grey, dark blue sleeves and cap)
CANFORD GINGER (A Sykes) D Elsworth 9-10-0.....C Brown Dickinson's bold front-runner three valuable sponsored handicaps last season. "He's spot on and the one I'd choose myself if I was riding." Dickinson said. Second National amount for Graham Bradley, seventh (Royal blue, white sash and armiets, white cap royal blue star) CLONTHTURTIN (F Corroy) A Moore (ire) 10-10-0 ..... T J Taafle on Political Pop last year.

BEECH KING: Unseated rider at sixth fence in 1983 but went onto finish second to Bit of a Skite in Irish tional. Trainer Paddy Woods has already won two BROOMY BANK: Fluent Cheltenham victory makes

him the form horse. Similar credentials to 1961 winner. Nicolaus Silver, and last year's runner-up, Greasepaint. Sixth attempt for Jim Wilson and a live BURNT OAK: Jumps and stays well. Peter Scudamore

40 Earthstopper, Hill of Slane, Silent Valley, 50 others.

FORM CORBIERE, 2nd Warwick Mar 5 (11-4), won this race in 1983 by 7-1 from GREASEPAINT (
10-7), with YER MAN (10-0) 20 sway in 3rd, HALLO DANDY (10-1) 2 fel 4th, GRITTAR (11-12), for a sway 5th, MIDDAY GIN (10-8) led 1st, PILOT OFFICER (10-7) unseated rider 15th, SPARTASN MISSILE (11-7) unseated rider 22nd, TACROY (11-8) pulsed up 22nd, CANFORD GINGER (10-0) pulsed up 16th, ASHLEY HOUSE (12-0) beaten 1 7-1 by TWO SWALLOWS (10-19) at Nottingham, (3m 4f, £1,800, good to 5tm, Mar 20), with HILL OF SLANE (10-11) 7-1 away 3rd, ELIOGARTY Wesdord winner Mar 1 (12-0) beat Earls Brig (12-0) 7 at Chelbriham only outing this county (3m 2f, £8,859, good to soft, Mar 17, 1983), MIDNIGHT LOVE (10-3) beat King or Country (10-1), 2 fel at Haydock (3m, £1,343, good, Mar 3), with TACROY (10-0) 49 beat in 4th, LICKY VANE (10-11) beat Righthand Man (11-1) a neck at Newcastle (4m 1, £5,304, good to soft, Feb 18), with BUSH GUIDE (10-3) 181 away in 5th (promoted to 4th). CORBIERE (11-7) farther 7-1 away in 6th, after being hampered, THREE TO ONE (10-0) 8th, ANOTHER CAPTAIN (10-5) 10th, BROOMY BANK (11-44) beat Honourable Man (10-6) 4 at Chelbriham (3m, £8,336, good, Mer 13), with PILOT OFFICER (10-8) and CANFORD GINGER (10-8) both well behind BURNT OAK (12-1) beaten 7x1 by special Cargo (12-8) at Sandown (3m 11, £2,831, good, Mer 9), Selection GRITTAR. aiming to complete course for third time in five BUSH GUIDE: Present from John Alder to daughter. Val. who is sixth of her sex to bid for glory. Gutsy

front-runner who should go well. CANFORD GINGER: 28-year-old landlord, Colin Brown, was booked five months ago by former boss, Tony Sykes, for David Elsworth's mud-loving stayer.

Unseated rider last year.
CARL'S WAGER: First National mount for talented amateur. Ronny Beggan, on Michael Dickinson's recent Wolverhampton winner. Has sound claims on form but jumping is suspect.

CORBIERE: Trying to become first horse to win in successive years and first to defy 12 stone since Red Rum in 1974. Ben de Haan seeks to emulate Brian Fletcher, the last jockey to triumph in consecutive years (1973-74). Jenny Pitman says: "He's spot on." DOOR STEP: Mouse Morris's mudlark beat Yer Man at Thurles in November but has shown little since.
CLONTHURTIN: Ridden by Tom Taaffe, son of Pat
Taaffe, who won on Quare Times (1955) and Gay Trip (1970). Has ability but suspect stamina.

DOUBLEUAGAIN: Won good handicap at Fairy-house in December by five lengths from Fethard Friend. Disappointed at Cheltenham. Loves the mud. EARTHSTOPPER: Bought for 22,000 guineas at June EARTHSTOPPIER Bought for 22,000 guiness at June and Sales. Attempting to improve on 1963 runner-up, Carrickbeg, for trainer, Gay Kinderskey. Has yet to show best form this season.

ELIOGARTY: Caroline Beasley's impressive 1983 Cheltenham Foxhunters winner is considered the

"Arkle" of bunter-chasers in Ireland. Is cast in a similar classic Aintree mould to Grittar, Spartan Missile and Freddie.

FAULOON: Farewell National ride for superh Aintree horseman, Bill Smith, who has seven completions in

ten attempts. Representative of Fulke Walwyn, successful as jockey in 1936 with Reynoldstown and as trainer in 1964 with Team Spirit. THE GRAND NATIONAL COURSE

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other completions from nine mounts. Winner in 1982 but a moderate fifth last year. Sound each-way chance. HALLO DANDY: Neale Doughty attempts to improve on last year's fourth on Gordon Richard's sound stayer. Has sound surface he needs. Trainer previously successful with Lucius in 1978. HAZY DAWN: Attempting to become first winning mare since Nickel Coin in 1951. Has lucky No 1 stables

box used by L'Escargot last Irish winner, in 1975. First time round

FETHARD FRIEND: Recent purchase by Kais-al-Said from Oman and goes to Fred Winter tomorrow. Gerry Newman believes its his best chance since

finishing third on Drumroan to Lucius in 1978. FORTUNE SEEKER: Only success from 12 outings this season when beating Mister Donovan by neck at Fairyhouse in November. Showed signs of return to form when runner-up at Down Royal this month. GOLDEN TRIX: Improving nine-year-old, the age-group which has provided 16 of the 38 post-war

GREASEPAINT: 1983 runner-up has been heavilybacked as Dermot Weld seeks to become first trainer to land spring double this century. Greasepaint is on song. Given luck, we must go close," Weld says. GRITTAR: John Francome's magnificent Aintree

HILL OF SLANE: Ideal mount for Steve Smith Eccles, unsuccessful in four attempts to date. wouldn't swap mounts with anyone", he said. Has s time to warm to his work. IMPERIAL BLACK: Genuine Northern handicapper.

Neville Crump, 73, attempts to improve on marvellous record of three previous victories with Sheila's Cottage, Teal and Merryman II. JACKO: Sound stayer in testing conditions. Should get

JIVAGO DE NEUVY: Nicknamed "Gigi". this former French chaser has won 17 races worth over £70,000 of owner-rider Roger Grand. Has been schooled over replica of Aintree fences at Banbury KUMBI: Sum chance for Red Rum's handler. Donald

McCain. Jumped indifferently prior to Laurensun at Ludiow earlier in the month.

LUCKY VANE: John "Rag Trade" Burke attempts comeback on winner of four-mile Eider Chase at Newcastle. Toby Balding is hopeful of repeating his 1969 triumph with Highland Wedding. I hope he nudges one early on and gets the message", Balding

MID DAY GUN: Strongly-fancied when burying

Graham McCourt at the first fence last year. Respectable fourth to Burrough Hill Lad in Welsh

National in December but has run lifelessly since.
MIDNIGHT LOVE: Former Cheltenham Gold Cup
hope is out to repeat Denys Smith's 1968 win with Red Alligator. Found something like his best form when winning Greenall Whitley Chase at Haydock. PILOT OFFICER: Sole representative of Mercy Rimell, widow of four-time National scorer, Fred. Close up and apparently going well when falling at Chair in 1983 but not in same form this season. POYNTZ PASS: Irish-trained when winning at.
Punchestown and Fairyhouse in October. Has run
helow par for Pat O'Connor since finishing third to

Little Bay at Ayr.

THE DRUNKEN DUCK: 1982 Cheltenham Forhunter winner has had back trouble. Third in a point-to-point last weekend but not as good as he was,
ROMAN GENERAL: First National mount for Major Malcolm Wallace. Won Towcester hunter chase by eight lengths last year but only one appearance under

SILENT VALLEY: Lively outsider for Geordie Dunpreviously fourth on Three To One in 1981. Placed in two Hennessy Gold Cups and has made two remarkable combacks from injury.

rules this season

SPARTAN MISSILE: Victory for the Thorne family's winner of 23 races would be a fairy story. Unlucky in running for the late John Thorne when second to when runner up to Venture to Cognac at Cheltenham. TACROY: Badly hampered at sixth last year and owner. All Duffield, Ran well when fourth to Midnight Love at Haydock.
THREE TO ONE: Sixth attempt for Ken Oliver's

1981 fourth. Once a resolute stayer but appears to be a light of former days TWO SWALLOWS: Anthony Webber bids to

improve on his 1982 second on Hard Outlook. Returned to form when beating Ashley House and Hill of Slone at Nottingham last week. YER MAN: Val O'Connell's second attempt on last vear's distant third. Has finished runner up three times

MY FINAL VERDICT: 1, Greasepaint; 2, Eliogarty; 3, Broomy Bank: 4. Hallo Dandy.

#### already tasted success in the National. LIVERPOOL

[Televised: (BBC 1) 2.0, 2.35, 3.20]

John Burke (left) and Ben De Haan, two riders who have

Tote double: 3.20, 4.35. Treble: 2.35, 4.05, 5.05 2.0 CAPTAIN MORGANS AINTREE CHASE (Limited handicap: Grade II: £13.107: 2m (7 runners)

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PORIN: RATHOORIMAN (12-0) and THE BROCKSHEE (12-0) 8th and 10th behind Badeworth Boy
(12-0) at Chehenham (2m. 221,005. Good. Mar 14) when LITTLE BAY (12-0) was 2nd beaten 10th
and ARTHFICE (12-0) a turner 10th beat in 3rd. Earlier LITTLE BAY (11-1) was beaten 10th
and ARTHFICE (12-0) at Newbury (2m. 29-356, good. Feb 11). In last year's running ARTHFICE (11-0)
beat WESTERN ROSE (10-7) by 51 (soft). RAGAFAN (11-0) beaten nearly 18 by Classified (11-1) at
Newbury (2m 44. 55.881, good. Mar 3). Beat from over 2m on a sound surface. Sat MERCHANT
(11-10) beat Snow Blaesed (10-0) <sup>2</sup>4 at Newcastie (2m. 51.578, good to soft, Mar 19). WESTERN
ROSE (10-10) ted to 9th behind Mosey Moore (10-0) at Chehenham (2m. 58,865, good, Mar 13).
THE BROCKSHEE (10-11) led 9th. Selection: RAGAFAN.

#### Liverpool selections

By Mandariu 2.0 Ragafan. 2.35 Dawn Run. 3.20 BURNT OAK (nap). 4.5 Honourable Man. 4.35 Sunflower Lad: 5.5 Asia Minor. By Michael Seely
2.35 Dawn Run. 3.20 GREASEPAINT (nap). 4.35 Garfunkel (each way).

2.35 SANDEMAN AINTREE HURDLE (Grade II: £13,180: 2m 5f 110yd)



FORMS DAWN RUN (11-5) all out to best CIMA (12-0) by 1/4 in Champton Hordie (2m Cheftenham. 236,880, good, Mar 13). VERY PROMISING (12-0) won a further 41 every in 3rd. BLICK HOUSE (12-0), 11/2 every in 4th and FREDCOTERI (12-0) 1/4 burther back in 5th. DAWN RUN (11-5) 11 2nd to

3.20 SEAGRAM GRAND NATIONAL CHASE (Runners and riders above) 4.5 CHIVAS REGAL CHASE (£3,785: 3m 1f) (7)

3-5132 HCROURABLE MAN (Mrs P Russet) Mrs P Russet 11-210229 KNOCK HELL (P Thompson) J Webber 8-11-11 W SIX TMES (C Longstaff) M W Dickhaun 7-11-11 DAY AFTER (B) (A Sheidrate) S Melor 8-11-8 C REAT MEAD BOY (Highers Lid) R Fisher -11-8 C ROYAL BOWN (Mrs M Micromison) A Moore (ins) 11-11-3023-01 STAUNTON (Mrs M Richardson) N Henderson 9-11-8 ... ...Mr G Memagh .Mr R J Beggan Charles-Jones

1983: Approaching 12-11-11 P Nicholis (9-2) J Gifford 5 ran. 11-10 W Six Times, 5-2 Honourable Man, 7 Staunton, 10 Greet Head Boy, 14 others 4.35 WHITE SATIN HANDICAP HURDLE (Amateurs: £4,604: 2m (19)

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GARTUNKEL (D) (P H Betts) P Mitchell 5-11-5

MARSHELL KEY (D) (R Gurrer) Mrs J Pitmen 6-11-4

STATE CASE (D) (M Hogan) M W Dictinson 6-10-11

COLOURFULL PADOY (D) (BF) (Trumph Properties) ( 

1963: B and K Emperor 8-10-7 R Beggan (13-1) M W Easterby 19 ren.
7-2 State Case, 9-2 Karenomore, Marshell Kay, 6 Eddle Wee, 8 Gartunkel, Colourtul Paddy, 10
unitiower Led, 12 The Dieder, 14 others.

5.5 GLENLIVET NOVICE HURDLE (4-y-o: £4,162: 2m Sf 110yd) (12) ASIA MINOR (Ld Derby) G Pritchard-Gordon 11-3

BURANNPOUR (E Weinstein A Janvis 11-3

FRUSHOLLY HENRY (H Ford) H Ford 11-3

CREGON TRAIL (M Ponsorby) B Arburnor 11-3

OREGON TRAIL (M Ponsorby) D Arburnor 11-3

PACIFIST (P Hobbs) J Fox 11-3

PELIOR (Mrs A Gerrett) J King 1-3

STAR OF SCREEN (Mrs J Dyson) J Edwards 11-3

HEAVENLY PRINCESS (J Berrett) A Wesson 10-12

RIVINCESS LEAVEST (J Berrett) A Wesson 10-12

JENNIE PAT (J Thompson) G Richards 10-12

SHAHREZA (J Onions) P Multins (Ine) 4-10-12

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1983: Sabin du Loir 11-11 G Bradby (7-4 tav) M W Dickinson 11 ran. 11-4 Star Of Screen, 7-2 Jannie Pat, 9-2 Asia Minor, 6 Burannpour, 8 King Jo, Oregon Trail, 12

#### record speaks for itself - a second, a third and five Results from Liverpool

2.0 RED RUM NOVICE HANDICAF CHASE (E3.267:2m 41) TAROGAN'S CHOICE b g by Targoga -Balidado (M Wickens 7 10 3) .P Scudemore (11-1) 1 Grinders ch g by Baragio Toison d'or (Needhams Butchers) 8 11 4

(Needhams Butchers) 5 11 4 P A Charlton (8-1) 2 Paddy's Perli ch gby Paddy B Lower Perli (H Maddever) 8 11 1 .......S Smith Eccles (10-1) 3 Maddeveri 8 11 1 ...... S Smith Eccles (10-1) 3
Also Rain: 9-2 fav Green Bramble (PU), 13-2
Captain Dewn (PU) 8 King's Jug, Dudie (5th),
10 Stand Back (4th), 11 Chummy's Best, 20
Sea Splesh (5th), 40 Chicham Led (PU), 11 ran.
11-j, 41, -j.4 4/ 41. J Edwards at Ross-on-Wye.

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- G Bradley (9-41av) 2

Red Cleric ch gby The Parson - Salle

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R Stronge (14-1) 3 Also Ran: 4 Acarine (4th), 5 King or Country (5th), 13-2 Kudos. 16 Why Parget, 20 Easter Carnival (F). 50 Border Jewel (6th), 9 Ran Sh Ind., 121, by 101, 54 F Wahwyn al

TOTE: Wirt: £4.50; Places; £1.80, £1.70, £2.80. DF: £5.30, GSF: £13.43.

3.10 LIVERPOOL MURDLE (4-y-0: 59.112 2m) ALSO RAN: 9-4 tay Cheers (Bitt), 6 Star of Coreen, 7 Son Of A Gunner, 9 Sonatma, 16 Star of Leghand (Bitt), Royal Bragedier, 20 Hoorah Hetry, Outa Owl (4th), 25 Dodgy Fraure, 33 Dhotay, Nudge Mudge, Orwardise (pa), Ring of Darmonds, Ruler on a Lark, 17

TOTE: Wir: £10.70. Places: £2.90. £6.90. £2.10. DP: £561.50. CSP: £191.66.

3.45 PERRIER JOUET CHAMPAGNE CUP CHASE (£8,920: 3m 1t) ROYAL BOND on g by Honour Bound Royal Alkance (Mrs G Malcolmso 

ALSO RAN: 5-2 Bregawn (4th), 4 ran. % 31, 251. A Moore in Ireland.

TOTE 28 10. DF. 22.50. CSF: 29.54.

4.20 SPORTING LIFE WEEKENDER NOVICE CHASE (£4,674: 2m)

ALSO RAN: 8 Born to Shine (8th), 9 River Rhen, 18, Glamour Show (pu), 22 Veiled City (4th), 28 Joe Denby (ft, 33 Aversus, 50 Hot Pretence, Singalong Sam (5th), Charming Paddy (ref), 12 ran. 51, 101, 8, 7t, 3t, G Richards at Greestoke.

4.50 MONKSFIELD NOVICE HURDLE (£3.894)

(P Piser) 8-11-9 R Lemb (12-1)
ALSO RAN: 100-30 lay 1 Haventason:
Herbert United (49h, 13-2 Pass The Pieta (5th
11 Breac Ban, 20 Ambguen Moon (6th), Fee
Right, 25 Arcate Beau, 33. Steel Yeoman, 10
Ermac (ref), Ledy Lewyer, 13 ren, Nf
Sandcraphar S, 3t, 2vt, 1vt, 12t, J Ring a
Swindon

TOTE: Win: £11 10 Places; £3.00, £1.90, £2 60, DF: £26.30 CSF: £48 59. TOTE DOUBLE, \$13.90, TREBLE, \$14.10 (paid first two legs). PLACEPOT: \$537.70. JACKPOT: \$3.596.30.

### Noddy's Ryde earns Ayr rematch with Bobsline

By Michael Seely

Hello Dandy was the strongest tip on Grand National eve at Aintree yesterday. "Everything has gone right," said Gordon Richards, his trainer, said after watching Noddy's Ryde romp to an easy victory in the Sporting Life Weekender Chase.

"He hasn't left an oat. I rode him myself in a pallop the other morning. Jonjo O'Neill said that he'd never seen the old horse go better. He's got as good a chance as my 1978 winner. Lucius. Hello Dandy finished fourth last year and is now 8lb better off with Corbiere and 9lb with Noddy's Ryde is now on target for

a repeat of his recent heroic Cheltenham duel with Bobsline at Ayr's Scottish Grand National meeting. "I wouldn't mind another crack at the Irishman." Richards said. "Noddy's Ryde was only beaten 11/2 lengths and this time ic get 31b. Some marvellously exciting rac-

ing heightened the pre-National tension on another gloriously sunny afternoon. The highlight was the sustained battle between Straight Accord and Lettoch in the Holiday Inn International Chose. The pair raced locked togethe

the final mile and the winning margin was a fast-diminishing short head. A triumphant Fulke Walwyn said: "We'll be back for the 1985 National as Straight Accord jumps and stays so well. The match between Royal Bond

and Dromlargan in the Perrier Jones Champagne Cup was another thriller. Drumlargan looked sure to win until nearly capsizing at the final jump. Frank Code staged a miraculous recovery, but Royal

> "I wen't run him temerrew." his trainer. Arthur Moore. "I'll keep him for the Irish National." The enigmatic Bregavin was in of his most recalcitrant moods. The 1983 Cheltenhum gold cup winner refused to race early in the straight and

Bond held on bravely to record his

first victory since the Leopardstown

Surprisingly, he then took held of his hit and completed a solo kep of dishonour round the outside of the hurdle track. "I don't know what to make of it," said a puzzled Michael Dickinson. "We'll give him a come of hunting in the winter to try and reeten him ap.™

no better luck with Cheers in the Liverpool Hurdle than he had had with Lettoch and Bregawn. The heavily-backed favourite was underpressure halfway up the straight and refused to struggle behind the runaway winner, Afzal. "I don't know what happened in the Triumph," said the winning trainer, Reg Hollinshead, "but he certainly took off and went today." Graham McCourt replaced the injured John O'Neill on the 9-1 winner.

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# SEAGRAM GRAND NATIONAL



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FIFA to

discuss'

conduct

of fans

The "intolerable conduct of English football fans" will be discussed at the next executive-committee meeting of FIFA, world football's governing body.

The meeting, in Zarich on May 19, will consider reports on the trouble linked with the France-England friendly international tast month, though no disciplinary measures are likely.

Sepp Blater, general secretary.

Sepp Blater, general secretary, writing in Fifa News, describes the troubles in France as "another example of the English fans"

Chile will also

play England

Chile will be England's third opponents on their summer trip to

opponents on their summer trip to South America. Brazil and Uruguay, both former World Cup winners, have already agreed to meet England in June. Ted Croker, the FA secretary, put final touches to the tour on a trip to South America this week. England will play Brazil in Rio de Janeiro on June 10: Uruguay in Montevideo on June 13, and Chile in Santiago on June 17.

destructive attitude." He stress

that the holliganism can hinder the progress of the game around the

worth.

Photographs of English hooli-gans in Paris not only rain the image of our sport, but also form an obstacle to the further development.

of the sport in countries when football still has to be solidly

established, but where the concept of fair play is well known," Mr Blatter adds. "FIFA's action is limited.

Indeed, the education of each

individual is not the responsibility of a world federation, but rather than of the family, the school and the

### ... FIRST FIVE IN CHAMPION HURDLE RENEW RIVALRY

worse terms than she did in the Champion Hurdle.
Usually O'Neill would have

ridden Little Bay in the Captain Morgan's Aintree Chase. In this instance I feel that he would

suit the Kim Muir Challenge Cup runner-up. Honourable Man,

# Mullins to prove able deputy on Dawn Run

One man's misfortune in again today, even though she racing is so often another's good luck and that has certainly Promising and Buck House on the ways terms than she did in the proved the case this week as far as John O'Neill has been concerned. The popular Irishman took a heavy fall from Man Alive at the first fence of the Keltenberg Pils Chase on Thursday and missed a winning instance I feel that he would have been on a loser in any case and much prefer Ragafan, the conqueror of The Mighty Mac at Newbury in February, especially now that he will be running over two miles again Finally, both the course and distance of the Chivas Regal Chase looked tailor-made to suit the Kim Muir Challenge ride on Afzai at Liverpool

O'Neill came to the course to watch the racing suffering from a badly cut and bruised forchead. He saw Graham McCourt prove an able deputy on Afzal and to his chagrin he seems likely to miss another coveled winning rider there again today on Dawn Run, the champion hurdler, in the Sandeman Aintree Hurdle.

Tony Mullins, the son of the mare's trainer, Paddy Mullins, deputizes. That should not affect Dawn Run's chance because he knows her well. Yesterday. Charmian Hill. Yeslerday, Charmian Hill, Dawn Run's owner, said that she had never seen her mare so fit and well, in spite of her evertions at Cheltenham.

Twelve months ago Dawn Run was runner-up to Gave Brief in the equivalent race, having won over the same course and distance just 24 hours earlier. That only goes to prove how tough she is, and she is quite capable of winning

Draw: high numbers best

£756: 5f) (6 runners)

CAP (£795: 5f) (7)

**EDINBURGH** 

Edinburgh selections

By Mandarin
2.15 Five Starters. 2.40 Pergoda. 3.5 Balabil. 3.50
Concert Pitch. 4.20 Miki Miki Motor. 4.50 Baby Boy.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent 3.5 Balabil. 4.20 Miki Miki Motor, 4.50 Baby Boy.

2.40 MARSHALL RACING ANNIVERSARY HANDI-

9 400- TRADESMAN (CD) J Haidane 4-7-13 \_\_\_\_\_K Darley 6

1983: Pergoda 5-8-7 S Morris (6-1) I Vickers deed heated with H R Micro 5-8-6 S Donkin (4-1) M Lambert 8 ran.

11-4 Central Carpets, 7-2 Pergoda, 5 Final Cast, Return-To Jains, 7 adesman, 8 Biocheim Stolar, 10 Zepunts

3.5 CRAZY MAIDEN STAKES (2769: 1m 3f) (8)

Siberian **Express** to arrive on time

Desmond Stoneham French Racing Correspondent, Paris Several colts with classic poten several coils with classic poten-tial make their reappearance in the one mile prix de Fontainebleau at Longehamp tomorrow. My selec-tion for the race, which is often an excellent guide to the future, is Mahmoud Fustok's Siberian Ex-

This son of Caro won the Prix Anis son of Caro won the Prix, Morny and was not at his best when third to El Gran Senor in the William Hill Dewhurst Stakes. The danger could be Nikos, while a sound chance must be given to the Grand Criterium runner-up, Truculent, and Mendez.

lent, and Mendez.
Lester Piggott should partner
Darly to victory in the Prix
d'Harcurt where Willie Carson. d'harcurt where Willie Carson, teams up with Garde Royale. The one they all have to beat in this 10-furiong event is Crystal Glitters, who began the season by taking the Group III Prix Edmond Blanc. Mourjane. The Prix De Diame winner, Escaline, and Lovely Dancer are others who could take a hand in the furth.

Denel may take the Prix de Barbeville for the second year in succession, but he will have to be on his best behaviour to hold Indian Prince. Fubymam du Tenu and So



16 600-0 STAR PATRICK D Chapman 3-7-11 ......S P Griffiths 7 1983: Hazel Bush 3-7-13 G Duffield (9-4 (sv) M Prescott 11 ran.

1983: (3-y-o) Resister 8-4 K Darley (11-4) J Berry 5 ran. 11-8 Lady Donaro, 11-4 Piessurable, 7-2 Mild Mild Motor, 8 Repl Waldron Hill, 14 others.

UPTOWN W Storey 4-8-6 .... BALABE, M Prescott 3-8-0 ... HARLYN BAY S Norton 3-8-0 

3.50 DOUBLE HORSESHOE HANDICAP (£1,643: 1n 2.15 MARSHALL RACING JUVENILE STAKES (2-y-o: 1983: Rievaux Raver 9-1 G Outheld (4-1) W Wharton 8 ran. 10-11 Tame Affair, 11-4 Coded Love, 5 Swift River, 12 Wenthom 1983: Apple Wine 6-8-8 D Micholls (7-1) D Chapman 9 run. 11-10 Concert Pitch, 9-2 Rivers: Edge, 5 Blue Breeze, 8 Apple Wil szel Bank, 10 Leith Spring, 16 others.

4.20 MARSHALL RACING SELLING STAKES (£594

4.50 MARSHALL RACING MAIDEN STAKES (3-y-ox

1	040-	ABA NABEEM S Norton 9-0 Lores	4
2	82-	BABY BOY M Prescott 9-9G Duffield	3
3		CAROL'S MUSIC D Plant 9-0B Coocen	ă
4	4020-	LIFE GUARD J Watts 9-0N Corporton	7.
5	0000-	SCRAP HARRY TER'S LIBRORING STU	2
6	0-	TROOLYEYETYE I Vickers 9-0S Kelghdey	9
11	QO-	MISS GUENEVERE T Craig 8-11C Dwygr	8
13	0-0		5
14	000-	SAXACHIHO'S GIRL T Craig 8-11 Mackay	1
		hanged His Mind 9-0 R Weaver (15-8 fav) C Nelson 7 ren.	
64	Lute G	rand, 2 Baby Boy, 9-2 Starting Point, 8 Abe Nabeem, 1	2
		14 others.	_
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1 8-b1 Cheekis Ora (C,3) 11-12-10

1-2 Cheetic Ora, 4 Little Bilsbarn, 7 Royal Air, 1

918- Little Billalina 10-12-10 .

Little Klam 5-11-5 Morton Lady 5-11-5 Rockless Rat 5-11-Beep Wood 4-11-2 Not Nyring 4-11-2 Fluid Sparkle 4-11-Klocknown Led 4-1

HEREFORD SELECTIONS BY MANDARIN: 2.15 Raine 2.45 See Claine. 3.45 Mister Bet. 4.15 Sution Prints 4.45 Two Coppers. 5.15 Chaelio Ora. 5.45 Olive Anthony.

Today's Point-to-Points

Blankney at Carholm (2.15); Cattistock at Beaminster (12.45); Cleveland at Little Ayton (1.30);

Crawley and Horsham at Perham (1.15); Easton Harriers at Higham (1.45); Tredegar Farmers at Gwent (1.0); West Percy and Milvain at Alnwick (11.0).

### Hereford

2 15 HAY NOVICE HURDLE (Div I: £745: 3m 12 Reing 7-11-10 H Davies 800 Antonin 1981 5-11-5 S J D'Nevil 90-2 Abrins 809 5-11-5 Jet R Curricody 4 900 Beechweel Led 5-11-0 J Rotan 800 Erica's General 5-11-0 L Bloomfield 4 900 PRINTERME 5-11-0 J Bloomfield 9 900 H 2.45 LITTLE BIACH SELLING HURDLE (\$742:

5 1 Crumpet Catcher 8-11-0 Mr M Richards 7
7 309 Leaf M The Fexes 11-11-0 ... Mr I Moise 4
8 9-96 Mil Dad 7-11-0 ... Mr R Durwoody 4
11 829 Prince Beskins 9-11-0 ... Frost
12 No Countification (8) 9-11-0 ... A Carroll
14 900 Ref. A-Joint 6-11-0 ... R Kington
15 400 Starton 5-11-0 ... R Kington

Devon results Geingr Good to soft.
2.15 (2m 11 hdia) 1 Squire Treleway [Philip Hobbs, 8-1; 2 Lyminster (3-1); 2 Bolt The Gate (17-2); Fast Lady 6-4 fav. 40, 19, 18 ran. D Barons. Tote: \$6.50; \$2.00. \$2.60, \$2.10. DF: \$11.30. \$57: \$22.50. \$2.60, \$2.10. DF: \$21.30. \$57: \$22.50. \$2.60, \$2.10. DF: \$11.30. \$57: \$22.50. \$2.60, \$2.10. DF: \$13.00. \$7.24 t issy; 3 Be Be Belle (11-2). 119, 121. 14 ran. NF: Fishord. Miss H Knight. Tote: \$2.90; \$1.70. \$1.80, \$2.00. DF: \$2.80. \$CSF: \$18.72. \$1.50. \$2.00. DF: \$2.80. \$2.0

4.0 (2m 11 hds) 1, inspired (Jessics Turner 25-1): 2, Husson Giory (50-1): 3, Full Brigade (11-4 Fev) 14, 21 16 ran NR: Blackboosh, Gods Wis. W G Turner, Tote: 21-540; 23-40, 211-30, 22-80. DF: £347.00. CSP: £781.82. 4.30 (2m 1f chase) 1, Linguec North (kir G Camm 6-1); 2, Richard G (6-1); 3, Perembolate (14-1); Barardan 100-30 Fev. 25 Hd, 18 nan E Retter, Tota: 238.80; 27-90, 24-40, 21.50. DF: 22.80 (Winner or 2nd with any horse. CSF: 248.96.

29 804 Favouritz Falls 12-10-0

p86 David's Felly 11-10-0 ... Bis Bay Forest 6-10-0 ...... 8pt Seal Shrow 8-10-0 .....

6-4 Mister Bee, 100-30 Prince Busians, 6 Last Of The Foxes, 8 Quartication.

4.15 SUN VALLEY POULTRY NOVICECHA-SE (\$3,938; 2m 4f) (16)

Captais: Pat 8-11-4

7-2 Susten Prince, 4 Misty Fort, 5 Bright Desels, 11-2 B's Daly A Jobs.

4.45 KATIE GAZE TROPHY (handican chase:

Mr T Themson Jones

Epo Bally Task 8-11-4 ali Beacauskie 7-11-4 (32 Belakt American

p89 8x Leason 9-11-4 ... 234 Setten Prices 5-11-88-3 Watteriffe 9-11-4 ... 211 Bisbeinth 10-10-13 ...

8.00 (2m 1f hole) 1, RHYTHING PASTINES (Air 8 Sherwood 7-2k 2. Parhada Lucky (25-1): 3.

Bandelero (9-4 Fav) 15t, 21 16 ran, NR: Outle Hot, Thryles, J Jankine, Epsom. Tote: \$4.50, \$2.00, \$4.40, \$1.00. DF: \$47.40. CSF: \$59.59. PLACEPOT: 240.45. Today's meeting at Lingfield Park has been abandoned because the course is waterlogged. A course spokesman said "the meeting had been in doubt even before a heavy storm hit the track this afternoon

George Knight

A Chamberlain 4



Dawn Run, who tries to follow up her Champion Hurdle win in Aintree's 2.35 race

RUGBY LEAGUE

## **Portents** against troubled Widnes

By Keith Macklin

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After a decade of collecting trophies. Widnes are in danger of becoming the nearly men of rugby league. Twice this season, in the Lancashire Cup and the John Player Special Trophy, they have been beaten finalists, and the portents are not good for this afternoon's semi-final round match in the Challenge Cup, sponsored by State Express.

It will be played at Swinton and their opponents are Leeds, who have won the last eight garnes between the two clubs, and are in the middle of a run in which they have lost only one game since the arrival of Maurice Bamford as coach in November.

Furthermore, Widnes have been in serious trouble on and off the field in recent, weeks. Following their brilliant victory over Hull Kingston Rovers in the Challenge Cup quarter-finals, they were soundly beaten at home in league games by the same Rovers team and by relegation-threatened Futham.

There was much discord in the dressing room and the team

There was much discord in the

dressing room and the team manager. Vince Karalius, who manager, Vince Karalius, who commutes from the Isle of Man, and the coach, Harry Dawson, had a row over Great Britain training nights and the attendance of Widnes players. This embarrassed the watching Widnes players, and there are many who believe that their loss of form this professioners. of form dates from this unfortunate confrontation, which led to Daw-

son's resignation.

Leeds, although shaken out of their complacency by a solitary defeat at Hull, are playing with enormous confidence and have the psychological cushion of those eight wind in a row against Widnes. Leeds, however, have bitter memorics of two seasons ago when, in precisely this match at this stage of the season. Widnes went through to Wembley in the last seconds when a drop kick by Adams hit the Leeds crossbar and dropped conveniently to O'Loughlin, who scored the winning try.

There are two other important

games this weekend, in addition to the usual championship programme in both divisions. Tomorrow Great Britain meet France in an amateur international at Oldham, and the Southern Amateur Rugby League Challenge Cup final will be played at Hurlingham Park between Ealing and London Colonials

 An appeal by Leigh against the suspension of their Great Britain winger. Des Drummond, will be heard by the Rugby League disciplinary committee in Leeds on Monday. Drummond has been suspended for five matches, two for retaliation and three for biting.

Bamber in hospital Brighton's chairman, Mike

Bamber, was recovering yesterday in the Royal Sussex County Hospital after collapsing at his home in Brighton on Thursday, A hospital spokesman said that Mr. Bamber was "comfortable and satisfactory", and tests were being

#### **SWIMMING** Miss Cripps can get to grips

Annabelle Cripps, born in the United States, has another opportunity to gain a place in the British Olympic squad, after being included in the team to meet Holland in an international, sponsored by Yorkshire Bank, at Blackpool in two

shire Bank, at Blackpool in two
week's timeMENe 100m freestyle: D Lowe: 200m freestyle
P Howe: 1500m freestyle: D Stacey: 200m
butterfly: N Hodgson: 100m breaststroke: A
Moorhouse: 200m breaststroke: A Moorhouse
100m backstroke: N Harper: 100m backstroke
K Boyd: 200m fachicular mediey: R Brew: 400m
freestyle: D Coron: R Berne: 400m freestyle: S
Hardcastle: 300m freestyle: D Cropt: 200m
butterfly: S Purvis: 100m breastsroke: J High
200m Breaststroke: G Starley: 100m

200m Breeststroke: G Stanley: backstroke: G Stanley: backstroke: C White; 200m backstroke White, K Read; 200m individual media lackson; 400m individual media

# FOOTBALL: AWAY GAME PROBLEMS FOR LEADERS

# Climbing Liverpool face yet another precipice

Liverpool's climb towards the clusive triple peak gets steeper all the time. It was only in the second leg of their European Cup quarter-final 10 days ago that they got to grips with Benfica, and it was only at the second attempt on Wednes-day that they loosened Everton's partial hold on their Milk Cup. They will probably need several assaults in the League before they conquer Manchester United.

Today they face a nasty precipice: no-one dimbs all over Watford at the moment, home or away Watford, though, are a bit low after being hit with gastroentertis on Thursday. But last night only Jobson was ruled out and only two first-team players were mildly affected, Barnes and Reilly, Unlike flu-bitten Reading and Southend United, Watford had no need to seek a postponement.
Watford's form has been

stunning; four defeats in 23 matches since December. Had the season begun then they would have been among the championship contenders. Though Wembley is on the horizon, a good League finish and its European implications cannot e and have not been ignored by Graham Taylor, their manager, Three players, Rostron, Bardsley and Terry, will be playing only borderline:

one booking and they wil be out of the FA Cup semi-linal. Watford won the corresponding fixture last scason on the final day, and since Liverpool failed to win any of their last seven games. Taylor did not extract full satisfaction. Watford have been convincingly beaten at Anfield since their meteoric rise to the first division.

"The mere name of Liverpool provides the most difficult obstacle to beating them", Taylor said. "It hardly matters who plays for them. It's a psychological barrier that has to

be beaten down."
Wark, recently signed from Ipswich Town, will be pulling on one of the magicial red shirts today for the first time, to the exclusion of Johnston. Pained more than most by his substitution in the Milk Cup final at Wembley, it may be the prelude to another from the South-Afri-can born Johnston, whose style has never been really accepted at Anfield.

Manchester United's position is no less comfortable at the Hawthorns. It is the former seat of Ron Atkinson, the United of Ron Atkinson, the United either club's supporters.

Alan Kennedy, of Liverpool, manager, who benefited immensely from the foundations.

West Ham made a profit of looks certain to win his first full cap mensely from the foundations.

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Celtic must take four points from two games in the next three days if

two games in the next three days if they are to have any hope of winning the premier division title back, but rely not even at their long and glowing history have the Parkgate club encountered such a

daunting task as they face this

Today they meet Aberdeen, the

league leaders and firm favourites to win the championship and on Monday they play Rangers, their oldest rivals, to whom they lost the league Cup Final last week.

David Hay, their manager, concedes that even if they win both

games, it might not make any real difference in the long run as Aberdeen is six points ahead of Celtic with two games in band. "But

we must try to make amends for our



Wark: "He might just give us that little extra aggression". Joe Fagan, Liverpool's manager, says.

Johnny Giles, himself a Busby four leading clubs can take Babe in his playing days. Giles, advantage from a home game, Babe in his playing days. Giles, who moulded the early career of Bryan Robson, is now back to resurrect Albion and Atkinson remarked yesterday: "Their new management team has got them well organized and a lot of their best players are fit again.

Muhren will have a late test on his thigh before he can try to help United increase their onepoint lead over Liverpool.

Appeal against Cup ban

West Ham United are appealing against the penalty imposed by the FA following the pitch invasions which marred the club's fifth round FA Cup tie at Birmingham on February 18. An FA commission of inquiry barred both clubs from the next two FA Cup competitions, but suspended the ban on condition that there was no further trouble from

**Daunting task for Celtic** 

By Hugh Taylor

will almost certainly turn out to be a bruising confrontation on similar

lines to the previous five meetings of the clubs, of which Aberdeen have won two, Celtic one with the others goalless draws.

Alex Ferguson, the Aberdeen manager, believes his team can win

at Parkhead, in revenge for the cup defeat there, and provide the inspired start for what may become

the most glorious 28-day era any Scottish club has known. "I am

scottish club has known. "I am confident we could now win the treble of League championship, Scottish Cup and European Cup Winners Cup", he declared.

It could be that in the end the champions, Dundee United, even if they fail to regain their title, may, any Aberdeen closer their Chirc.

Southampton, in fourth place, travel to Goodison Park for a dress rehearsal of their FA Cup semi-final. Neither will want to show their hand too early, yet neither can afford to take it lightly. In Everton's case, relegation is still a concern. though Lawrie McMenemy. surprisingly, fears most a backlash from Everton's spilt Coicidentally, none of the milk in midweek.

#### Sansom loss is Kennedy gain

eleven that lost to Rangers. A draw points behind. "Our chase is futile", appears a most likely result of what . Jim McLean the manager, said.

Arsenal have withdrawn their left Arsenal nave withorawn their left back. Kenny Sansom, from the England squad for the meeting with Northern Ireland at Wembley on Wednesday. He has an ankle injury. "We hope it won't be a long job but there is no way Kenny would be fit to play international football on Wednesday, "Don Howe, the Arsenal manager, said.

Alan Kennedy, of Liverpool.

at the age of 29 as he is the only other left back in the squad.

"We were unlucky to lose to Aberdeen in the Scottish Cup, we

know we have nothing to fear from

them and we still have to play them

United have just signed Munro from Sunderland in an attempt to strengthen their fragile resources and a newcomer, will be in the team

to play Heart of Midlothian at Tynecastle. Hearts, however, need

to take as many points as possible if they are to claim a place in the UEFA Cup next season In the other matches, Dundee,

who are again playing with style and conviction, should be too good for the inconsistent Hibernian at Dens Park; Motherwell, who are virtually

doorned to the first division, car

twice in the league".

Whickham high again By Paul Newman Whickham hope to complete a

Whickham hope to complete as remarkable change in their fortunes today by reaching the Wembley final of the FA Vase for the second time in three years. The Wearside club entertain Stansted (Essex Senior League) in the second leg of the semi-finals, having earned a 1-1 draw in the first match last week. draw in the first match last week.

Whickham's manager and most of their players left the club in a pay dispute only weeks after the 1981. Vase victory and two mediocre seasons followed. Tommy Robinson, a former Gateshead player, was appointed manager less than six months ago and he has completely reversed the slide, taking Whickham from the bottom of the league to a mid-table position and to within 90 minutes of Wembley.

minutes of Wembley.
Stamford, the 1980 Vase winners. are clear favourites to win the other. semi-final after their 2-1 victory another United Counties League club, in the first leg. Three Irthlingborough players - Phipps, Gillespie and Kurila - missed lastweek's game through injury and only Phipps, who has been having treatment at Arsenal for a hamstring strain, has a chance of playing

#### Games postponed

The Football League yester. day agreed to a request by Southend United to postpone tomorrow's third division game at Millwall. Sothend have 10 players suffering from a virus nfection and six on the injured list. Bobby Moore, the manager said: "I could not have put out a team if I tried." Chester's fourth; division game with Torquay. today has also been postponed. because seven Chester players.

#### run Aberdeen closer than Cehic, despite the fact that they are eight He will make changes in the FOOTBALL AND OTHER WEEKEND FIXTURES

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v Dundee Rocisets (7.0); Murrayfield Racers v
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Andy Grav: his return to the Mervyn Day: Aston Villa's attack is Everton's only goalkeeper is playing in his change for their home game first Midlands derby in the against. Southampton match at Birmingham.

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Seorge Best at 7.15.

Jimmy Greaves names his week's sporting highlight; plus cartoons and pop videos.

World of Sport introduced by

Canceing from Bala, North Wales at 12.20; News at 12.45;

Football preview from Jimmy

12.50; 1.20 Drag Racing from Pomona, California; 1.35 and 2.10 Racing from Lingfield.

Derek Thompson introduces coverage of the Marley Roof Tile Handicap (1.45); the Bet

Title Handicap (1.45); use out with the Tote Handicap (2.15); and the Polycell-Wille Carson Apprentice Challenge Handicap (2.45); 1.55 Curling: the Royal Bank Worther's

World Championship from Perth Ice Rink.

Athletics: Steve Ovett in Australia. 2.55 Championship

Boxing. Coverage of last night's European Heavyweight

title fight in Limcges between Lucien Rodriguez of France and Wales's David Pearce; and the World Middleweight Championship bout in Las

Vegas between Marvin Hagle and Juan Roldan; 3.45 Half-

time football scores 4.00 Wrestling. An international tag tournament from Guildford

Adventures of the little people who live beneath a lighthouse.

Whiz Kids. Richie Adler and A.

J. Simon are on the trail of a

quantity of nerve gas that is

the host for a panel game in

in which nine members of the

audience are asked to value the price of everyday things.

Hooker is searching for an

the death of a retired fellow

9.15 Film: Deadly Strangers (1974) starring Hayley Mills and Simon Ward. A young woman's car breaks down and

the lorry driver who gives her a

helped by a passing salesman who offers her a lift. While in

his car she learns of the escape or a psychopath from a local institution . . . Directed by

its her up; she is then

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6.30 Child's Play. Michael Aspel is

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7.00 The Price Is Right. Quiz game

8.00 T. J. Hooker. Poüce sergeant

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9.00 News and sport.

4.45 Results round-up.

5.00 News 5.05 Fraggle Rock.

Greaves and lan St John at

Dickle Davies. The line-up is

Club, Jon Moss.

6.25 Good Morning Britain

BBC 1 6.20 Open University (until 8.50).

9.00 Pigeon Street. For the very young (r). 9.15 Sunday Worship from the Chapel O

King's College, London. 10.00
Asian Megazine. Interior
designer Sabira Mohamed
talks about her life and carrier
and litustrates examples of he

work. 10.30 Play it Safe. Jimmy Saville warns of Everyday Hazards (r).

Matte Help. Trigonometry 10.55 Languages for Life Italian language version of

film Languages for Life (r 11.20 Technical Studies

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enhancement techniques 12.35 Computers in Con The use of computers in

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Cartoons: Bugs Bunny Bill. 2.10 Bonanza, The

Cartwrights fall foul of

2.55 It Aln't Half Hot Mum. The

autocratic landowner whose captives are forced intrivirtual

daughters living in the Ukraine at the turn of the century. Directed by Norman Jewison.

5.20 News with Jan Leeming.

5.30 Streetwise presented by

Sarah Kennedy. Four won

6.40 Songs of Praise from Kirkby

Lonadale, presented by Russell Harty.

7.15 One by One. The final enlands

of Donald's skills and he is

also called to help the police track down an escaped

the City of Florence; World War One; John Betjeman; and

about her brother without knowing his true identity while in New York a nasty shock

the Swallows and Amazons books of Arthur Ransome.

8.35 Dynasty. Fallon learns a lot

9.20 That's Life. Consumer advice

and a lighthearted look at everyday living.

group of flying pickets and asks how far the strikers

justify a challenge to union

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11.35 The Sky at Night, Patrick Moore and Heather Couper

Championship.

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eve or a small telescope.

8.15 Sunday. 8.50 Week's Good Cause. 9.00 News. 9.10 Sunday Papers. 9.15 Latter From America by Alistair

11.15 Weekend. 12.00 Smash of the Day: 'Steptoe and

Son' (r). 12.30 The Food Programme. 1.00 The World This Weekend: News.

Tine.
2.30 Afternoon Theatre Too Late the Phalarope The novel by Alan Paton about a South African

4.00 News; Heritaga. Kenneth Hudson
- on the way we view history.
4.30 Spring Across Europe. Michael
Jordon on the northward
migration of birds and insects (1)
Follow the Swallow.
5.00 News These

5.00 News; Travel. 5.05 Down Your Way visits Pershore in the Vale of Evestiam.

News. Feedback with Colin Semper. A Passage Through The South Pacific. Elisabeth Mardell on her visit to Papau New Guinea.

Travel; The Bird of Dawning by John Masefield. Last episode.?

John Mesered. Last episode. T Bookshelf.

In Spite of Ourselves, Dame Maria Boulding, OSB, explores our common experience of failure. The Dark Journey.

With Respect Ambassador.

Simon Jenkins examines the myths and realities of the mode

own life and that of his family (/)f

roys hi

1.55 Shipping. 2.00 News; Gardeners' Question

police officer who des

9.30 Morning Service. 10.15 The Archers.

awaits Krystle.

10.05 News with Jan Leeming.

10.20 Heart of the Matter joins a

8.05 Mestermind. The specialist subjects are: The Medici and

explain how they outwitted potential rapists.

1.50 News headlines, 1.55

robotics (r). 1.00 Farming. 1.25 Letting Go. Young people and

parents talk about young love,

12.10 Use Your Head, Memory

Cookery Course, The last in

#### **BBC 1** 6.20 Open University (until 8.25), 8.35 Godzille, Cartoon (r) 9.00 Seturday Super Store. Today's guests include tropical fish expert Chris Andrews who will be answering 'phone-in questions; Jeffrey Daniel, who plays the futuristic electric train, Electra, in the new musical Startight Express, and Tom O'Connor who will be talking about his new series

for the BBC, According to O'Connor, 12.12 Westings prospects from lan McCaskill 12.15 Grandstand introduced from Aintree by David Coleman begins with a trip down the Grand National's memory lane at 12.15; the runners and betting at 12.25; Bob Wilson interviews a few well known faces at the course at 12.30.

12.55 News stammary; commentator Richard Pitman takes us around the course he nearh conquered on Crisp at 1,25; runners and betting at 1,25; John Francome weighs his chance at 1,20; memory man Reg Green challenges viewers to test his knowledge of the

Coverage of the Captain Morgan's Aintree The Sandaman Aintree Hundle. David Coleman talks to some of the owners and

and betting at 2.25; the horses parade at 2.45. 3.20 The Seagram Grand National Steeplechase. Hartime football scores and reports at 3.45; Rugby League: Leeds v Widnes at 3.50; a re-run of the big race at 4.25; and Final Score at 4.40.

jockeys at 2.10; the runners

5.10 Cartoon: Tom and Jerry. 5.20 Anything Goes features two teams of policemen and policewomen competing in a series of zany games in front of the Chief Constables of Greater Manchester and

Lancashire. 6.00 News with Jan Leeming, 6.10 Sport and regional news. 6.15 The Dukes of Hazzard. The boys are suspicious when the scheming Boss Hogg sells land on which stands Uncle

7.00 Film: A Shot in the Dark (1964) starring Peter Sellers as the incompetent inspector Closeau in the follow up to the Pink Panther. Closeau is investigating the case of a parlour mald accused of shooting her lover. With Elke Sommer. Directed by Blake

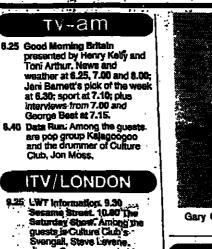
10 News and Sport, Jan Leeming reports. Driving Ambition. The tension heightens as the day of the Brands Hatch meeting draws

9.45 Wogan. His guests are Cliff Richard, Michael Parkinson and Jane Laportiere. 10.35 Match of the Day includes highlights of matches from

th the FIrst and Second Divisions plus a re-run of the 14.35 Film: The Masque of the Red Death (1964) starring Vincent Price. Horror movie based on one of Edgar Alian Poe's classic tales with Price as Prince Prospero, a Satani and despotic ruler of a 12th century Italian province. Directed by Roger Corman. 1.05 Weather.

11.00 London news headlines followed by 9 to 5. Office comedy about three harassed 11.30 Rock Concert. Manifed Mann's Earth Band at Budapest's Sporthalle followed by Night Thoughts.

Sidney Havers.



Gary Cooper and Jean Arthur as Wild Bill Hickok and Calamity Jane in The Plainsman (Channel 4, 2.30pm)

#### BBC 2

6.25 Open University (until 3.15). 3.15 Film: Broadway\* (1942) starring George Raft as himself recalling his early days as an entertainer, a career he began as a dancer in New York's Paradise speakeas during the time of the Prohibition, Directed by William A Seiter.

4.40 Film: Johnny Angel\* (1945) starring George Raft and Claire Trevor. Raft plays the title role, a sea captain who vows to find the man who murdered his father. With Hoagy Carmichael, Directed by Edwin L Marin.

6.00 The World Chess Championship. Jeremy Jame and Bill Hartson introduce coverage of the Challenger's Finals being played in Littuania between Smyslov and Kasparov.

 Rome and the Bounds of the Empire. This second of three programmes illustrates how the buildings, authorised by Herod in the first century AD were built.

6.50 Sight and Sound in Concert eatures Blancmange 7.30 News and Sport read by Jan

Learning.
7.45 Masterclass. Paul Torteller instructs Lesley Shrigley-Jones and Sumiko Kurata on the complexities of Rachmaninov's Sonata in G minor (r).

8.30 Rugby Special. Nigel Starmer-Smith Introduces highlights of this afternoon's Thorn-EMI County Championship Final at Twickenham betwe Gloucestershire and Somerset.

9.15 A Summer Reflection. Top sports photographer, Eamonn McCabe talks about his Career.

9.45 Strangers and Brothers. The penultimate episode, based on the second half of C P Snow's Corridors of Power, in which Roger Qualte's fall from grace has repercussions for Lewis Effot's career. (Shown

10.35 News with Jan Learning. 10.40 Film: Vincent, François, Paul et les autres (1974) starring Yves Montand, Serge Audran. A compelling study of friendship and middle age by following the fortunes of three married couples, all close friends, as each husband faces a personal crisis. Based on the book La Grande Marrade, by Claude Neron and directed by Claude Sautet. (English subtitles) Ends at 12,40.

#### CHANNEL 4

1.50 Mothers by Daughters. The story of try Louise Hancock as seen through the eyes of her actress daughter. Shella (r). 2.30 Film: The Plainsman\* (1936) starring Gary Cooper and Jea Arthur. Classic Cecil B De Mille offering with Cooper in the role of Wild Bill Hickok trying to make peace with the Indians after they have been supplied with repeating rifles by unscrupulous arms dealers following the end of the

American Civil War. 4.35 Mama Maione. Mama's neighbour, Mr Klinger, asks her to accompany him to a 5.05 Brookside A compilation of

the week's episodes. No Problem! The final episode of the comic series and Earl Solomen Powell calls the police when Sensimilia refuse to drop the claim for his title. 6.30 Earsay. The first of a new series of pop music magazin

programmes presented by Nicky Horne, Gary Crewley and Lesley-Anne Jones. Tonight's edition includes a anatch of the new Culture Club video and Sandie Shaw singing with The Smiths.

7.30 News headlines and weather followed by Union World. A profile of Brenda Dean, the General-Secretary elect of the print union Sogat 82.

8.00 Twenty Twenty Vision: 84 in 84. A number of people the same age as the century talk about what they think of life today. Among them are a former trade unionist who once believed that the revolution was just around the comer and the sole surviving Group.

8.30 Foreword to 4 American Composers. An introduction to the new series beginning

4 American Composers. The first of a new series by Peter Greenaway begins with 70-year old John Cage, famous for his 4 Minutes and 33 Seconds, in which, sitting at a closed piano he invited his audience to listen to the

King are sent to assist Sir James Pendred, the intended victim of a gunman. 10.45 The Comic Strip Presents...
Five Go Mad in Dorset. Awardwinning comedy spoof (r).

11.25 Film: Intruder in the Dust (1949) Drama about racial bigotry in the American south. Directed by Clarence Brown. 1,00 Closedown.

Radio 4 6.25 Shipping Forecast.
6.30 News; Morning Has Broken. 6.55 Weather; Travel.
7.00 News, 7.10 Sunday Papers. 7.15 Apra Hi Gitar Samajhiye. 7.45 Bells. 7.50 Turning Över new Leaves. 7.56 Weather; Travel.
8.00 News. 8.10 Sunday Papers.

11,55 Weather.

#### 7.25 Good Morning Britain. presented by david Frost includes a Thought for

7.30 Rub-e-Dub-Tub. For four-to-

eight years olds. 8.30 Good Morning Britain includes news and weather at 8.30; sport at 8.35; a review of the Sunday papers at 8.40; and a Behind the News item at 8.50.

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#### ITV LONDON

9.25 LWT Information, 9.30 Me and My Camera. Flore and feuna specialist Heather Angel has tips on how to achieve good close-up pictures (r), 10.00 Morning Worship from High Kirk Presbyterian Church, Ballymena. 11.00 Link. How should disabled characters be presented in popular television fiction? 11.30 Crafte Made Simple. The last in the ser and Ken Foord tackles

12.00 Weekend World Brian Walden examines the prospect of the

1.00 Police 5 presented by Shaw Taylor. 1.15 The Big Match presented by Brian Moore. Highlights from two matches played yesterday afternoon. 2.00 London news headline followed by The Smurfs, 2.15 Happy Days with Henry Winkler as Fonzie.

or Am't Hair Hot Mum. The aeroplane carrying the property is forced down in the jungle. But are they in the enemy's helf or the Afles? (r) (Ceefax titles page 170). Films Fiddler on the Ribof (1971) starring Topol. Musical comedy about a poor Jewish milkman with five marriageable daughters fiven in the Ukraine. 2.45 The Queen in Jordan. A digest of the five-day visit to Jordan by Her Majesty the Queen. The reporter is Anthony Carthew. 3.20 Sunday Sunday. Gloria Hunniford's guests for this, the last programme in the series are Robert Morley, Nanette Newman, Davy Jones, Dr David Owen, Clare Francis and Rondo Veneziano, 4.20 Jack drama with the attruistic Jack having used his share of the treasure to save Judge Sharingham and free the slaves. 4.50 Bullseye. Darts and general knowledge game. in the series besed on the Zoo Vet books by David Taylor. Donna the elephant is in need

5.20 News. 5.30 Jesus of Nazareth. Part one of a four-part drama based on the life of Christ, with Robert Powell playing the part of

Jesus (r). 7.15 Family Fortunes presented by Max Bygraves. 7.45 Live from Her Mejesty's. Variety show presented by Jimmy Tarbuck. His guests include Cannon and Ball. Shakin Stevens, The Drifters and Charley Pride.

8.45 News. 9.00 The Professionals, CI5 agent Bodie and Doyle have to find a Lieutenant Colonel, missing from an Army hospital, along with Nato secrets. Has he been abducted by the Russians? (r).

10.00 Spitting Image. Luck and Flaw models mouth mediocre satire. 10.30 Shaggrafks to young New York writer, Kathy Acker, She is an experimental novelist with a punk background.

Trophy at Silverstone, the first 11.30 London news headlines followed by American Documentary: Whatever Happened to Lori Jean Lloyd? the story of desperate parents search for their 14-year-old trace the history of stars that are easy to see with the naked daughter who ran away from home. Followed by Night

10.00 News.
10.15 The Paper Clip Spirit. Murdoch
McPherson tells a story of the
Norwegian resistance during the
last wer.
11.00 Survival or Life? With Canon
John Davies.
11.15 Inside Parliament.
12.00 News. 12.10 Weather.
12.15 Close, Shipping Forecast.
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6.45-7.10 am Open University

ENGLAND VHF as above except 6.45-7.10 am Open University and 4.00-6.00 pm Study on 4: 4.00 Future of Work. 4.30 Get Bin Greek. 5.00 Prefaces to Shakespage 8.30 Taking the

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Julian Firth and Tity Vosburgh in Swimmer (Radio 3, 8.05pm).
part-recorded in a London public baths

#### BBC 2

6.25 Open University (until 1.55). 1.55 Film: The Fallen Idol\* (1948) starring Ralph Richardson and Michele Morgan, Grahame Greene wrote the screenplay for this Carol Reed drama about a British embassy butk accused of murdering his wife. 3.25 The Life of an Honest Man." Episode four of the five-part dramatisation of the life of

Mollere (r). 4.25 Newsnight's March. John Tusa introduces a selection of films shown this month on Newsnight. These include The Secrets of Voodoo, a report

trom Heiti. 5.10 Wales! Wales? The final programme in the six-part series by Del Smith tracing the history of Wales and the Welsh. Tonight he examines the institutions and ideas that have over the past quarter of a century added strength to the idea that Wales is a place that is different, with problems

seculiar to the principality. 6.00 News Review, With Jan 6.30 The Money Programme examines IBM's expansion into the world of

microcomputers and how the property market could become sevious of greyhound racing. 7.15 Isobel. The first of a new series in which singer isobel Buchanan performs her

favourite songs and arias. Her guest is Julian Lloyd Webber. News with Jan Leeming. 8.05 One Pair of Eyes. Laurie Taylor - Country Blues. Citylover and country-hater Laurie Taylor is left, armed only with

an Ordnance Survey map, to find his true self in the 8.35 All the World's a Stage. Part ten and Ronald Harwood

examines the influence of lbsen on Strindberg and Shaw. 9.30 Did You See . . . ? World in Action, Wogan and The Fainthearted Feminist come under the microscope this

10.20 Film: In Search of Anna (1978) starring Richard Moir and Judi recently Teleased from prison who wants to forget his criminal past and join his first love, Anna. In his search for Anna he meets Sam, a neurotic model, who falls in love with him Written produced and directed by Esben Storm. First showing on British television.

11.45 A Voyage Between Two Seas Pete Morgan on a narrowboat In the Pennines (r) Ends at

Georgian and Cifford Benson. Includes Brahams's Sonata Op 99, Lutoslavskid's Grave (Metamorphoses) and a Beethoven work, †

2.10 Szymanowksi and Mon

the String Quartet No 1, Op 37: and the String Quartet No 2.1 2.50 BBC Phil Orchestra: part one. Dvorak's Scherzo cepriccioso and Sibelius's Symph No 3.1 3.35 Hungary in the 80s; talk by GeomesSchooffin

George/Schopflin.

3.55 BBC Phil Orchestra: part two.

Bartok's Concerts for Orchestr Bach and Marets: Marais's Sult ag minor, Book 3; and Bach's Bate No 2 in D, BWV 1028.

Christophe Coin (viola da gambe) and Christopher Hogwood

(Pharpsichord), if The Troubled Dream: The Politics of Welfare. With Prof A H Halsey, (Director of Social and Administrative Studies, University of Oxford), Prof Rudolph (Bein,

University of Bath, and others. Straiss and Reger Songs: performances by Margaret Marshall (soprano), with John

#### CHANNEL 4

2.00 Irish Angle. The week's news as seen by viewers of Radio Telefis Erreann and Ulster 2.38 Don Carlo, Part two of Verdi's opera, performed by New York's Metropolitan Opera. Starring Placido Domingo. 4.45 Anything We Can Do. Miks

plays gooseberry when he joins John and Helen on a trip to Birmingham. 5.15 7 Days. Michael Charlton, Helene Hayman and guests discuss the moral and

religious values that lie behind the week's news stories. 5.45 Where in the World Food is the subject for this week's edition of the travel quiz. John Julius Norwich and John Carter captain two teams comprising Alan Brien, Jill Tweedie, James Hunt and Liz

5.15 News headlines and weather followed by international Volleybalt: The Bremen Tournament. Kathy Tayler introduces coverage of the final of the tournament in which world champions China meet the United States.

7.15 The World at War: February to September 1945. Germany had already surrendered and the Japanese were on the brink of defeat when a decision was made to drop the atomic bomb on Hiroshima. Was this necessary:

8.15 The Jewel in the Crown: Pandora's Box. The panultimate apisode and the European community of Mirat are shaken by a sudden death (shown Tuesday on ITV).

9.15 Shotgums and Accordions. A musical documentary that examines the influence of the Colombian Mafia when the marijuana boom was at its peak in that country.

10.15 War and Peace: The View From Moscow, Recorded at the studio of Gosteleradio in Moscow, the programme features Russien spokesn General Viktor Starodubov and Vadim Zagladin, both experts Nuclear Weaponry, and Professor Lawrence Freedman, a nuclear strategy analyst, with Professor John Erickson, a leading expert on Russian military strategy. They discuss the chances of ending

11.15 Alfred Hitchcock Presents . Revenge. A man takes the law into his own hands when he kills a man he thinks attacked

11.45 Closedown

feature by Patric Dickinson. The readings are by Sean Barrett.

9.55 Louis Spohr: part two E mi lasc! cosi? scena and aria Op 71; and Symph No 8, Op 137. †

10.35 John McCable: piano recital. treland's Sonatina: Nelsean's Chaconne in Smyrms; and the pianist's own Paraphrase on "Mary Queen of Scots' (Study No 5). †

11.15 News. Until 11.18 VHF only: Open University. From 6.55 to 7.55.

Radio 2

A.00am John Evington, 6.00, Sales, 1977
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Marshall (soprano), with John Freser (plano) †
6.15 Sounds of Sweder: quitar recital by Goran Sotscher, Works by Sor, Per-Olof Johnson, and Castelnuovo-Tedesco (Sonata in memory of Boccherini) †
7.90 The Walnus and the Carpenter: Pedro de Zulusta's setting of Lewis Carroll's poem, for four voices and plano. †
7.25 Eduard Tublit: Bergen SO play the Symphony No & †
8.95 Swimmer: play by Christopher Russell. With Juliar-Firth as the crippled toy who falls in love with a girl at a swimming pool. There is a sinsister outcome. With Tilly Vosburgh and John Rowa. † is a ansase concome. With I say
Vosburgh and John Rows. 1
2.00 Louis Spohr: Part one, BBC
Scottish SO, with Valery Gradow
(violin) and Lynda Russell
(soprano) in the Grand Concert
Overture WoO 1; Violin Conc No 7
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World Service, facing page

TVS As London except starts 9.25 Farming Brief, 11.30-12.90 Land of the Dragon, 1.00 University Challenge, 1.30 Farming Diany, 2.00 At Home With The Spinners, 2.30 The Sunday Sportsclub, 2.40 TVS News Headlines, 3.45 The Queen in Jordan, 11.30 The Protectors, 12.00 Company,

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Faming Diary. 1.00 1.15 The Smurts. 2.00 Film: The One and Only (Henry Winkler). 11.90 The Irish RM. 12.30 Five Minutes. 12.35 Closedown.

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Radio 4 b. ,5.25 Shipping Forecast, 5.30 News; Farming Today, 5.50 In Perspective, 6.55 Weather;

7.00 N vs. 7.10 Today's Papers. 7.15 On Your Farm. 7.45 in Perspective. 7.50 Down to Earth. 7.55 Weather: Travel: Programme 8.00 News. 8.10 Today's Papers.

Sport on 4. 8.48 Yesterday in Parlament. 8.57 Westher; Travel. 9.00 News. 9.05 Breakaway. The holiday, travel and leisure scene. 9,50 News Stand. Mike Chansy on the

weekly magazines.

18.05 The week in Westminster. With Robert Carvel.

10.30 Dog Days, June Barry and Jack Watson on a spring walk with Watson on a spring walk with man's best friend.

10.45 Pick of the Week.†

11.35 From Our Own Correspondent.

12.00 News; Money Box.

12.27 The News Quiz. With Alan Coren, John Wells, David Taylor, Gillian Paynoids and Simon Hoggert.112.55 Weather.

1,60 News.

1.10 Any Question? From Dublin. With

Curringham, Prof John A Murphy and Ruaira Cuinn. 2.00 News.
2.05 Thirty-minute Theatre 'Elie Begg's Account' by Alson Prince. The story of a bank manager and an eccentric woman client. With Anthony Bate and Vivian Pickles.
2.35 Mericine Now.

Medicine Now. Groundawell. Weekly programm out the environm Shout the state News Special News; Radio News Special Report. First Night with the RSC -- Swatterd-upon-Avon (Henry V).

4.36 Does He Take Sugar? Magazine 4.30 Does He Take Suger? Magazine for disabled listeners.
5.00 Poet to Poet. 2: Making Love with the Light On— John Donne as a poet of love. With Craig Raine.
5.25 Week Ending! Satirical review of the week's news. 5.50 Shipping 5.55 Weather; Travel.

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8.00 News; Sports round-up.

9.25 Desert Island Discs with Paul Torteller, the cellist.

9.5 Stop The Week, with Robert Robinson music by Fascinating

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7.45 Baker's Dozen with 7.45 Bates 5 octon was nacial Bakert.
8.30 Saturday-Night Theatra.
'Snapping Out' by Martin Worth.
The true story of how parents resorted to kidnapping to rescue their daughter from the Moonies.
With Lesley Dunlop and Jane Wenhamt

10.00 News. 18.15 Murder Hunt. David Scott's . Hogg. 11.00 Evening Service1. 11.15 Coast to Coast. Novelist Joseph

Hone tells the nine-part story of his travels in central Africa. 1:
Zaire: A Low Profile.
11.30 Earwig A series of six overheard

11.30 Earling A Series of six over-read owen. 1: 'Angle' 12.00 News. 12.10 Weather. 12.15 Close, Shipping forecast. ENGLAND VHF as above except: 6.25-6.30am Weather; Travel. 1.55-2.00 Programme News. 5.50-5.55 Programme News.

Radio 3

Pette suite de concert:
Albrechsberger's miruet (Conc in
F for Jew's Harp and orch):
Durante's Danza, danza fanciulle
gentile (von Stade, soprano):
Bossi's Conc in A minor for
organ, four horns and orch.† 9.00
News.
9.05 Record Review: Robert

San Francisco So in Haspigni Fountains of Rome.† Robert Mayer Concert: Philharmoria Orch in moveme from Haydn's Symph No 99, Schubert's Symph No 9, Brahms's No 5 and Shootivestely's No 10 + 1.00

recital by Steven de Groote.

7.55 Weather, 8.00 News. 8.05 Aubade: Coleridge-Taylor's Petite suite de concert;

Henderson compares various recordings of Beethoven's Septe and an interior on 50 years of tape and an item to your recording.

Stereo Release: Perahla and English Chamber Orch play Mozart's Piano Conc No 15. Also San Francisco SO in Respighi's

Brahms's No 5 and
Shostakovich's No 10.1
12.15 Music for Clarinet Thomas
Friedli, with Elisabeth
Attenassova Dalphin (plano) in
works by Devienne, Dobrzynski
and Melcolm Amold. 1 .00 News and Malcolm Amold.t 1.00 No 1.05 Schubert and Brahms: plano

Schubert's Sonata in A minor D 845; and Brahms's Four Plano Pleces, Op 119.1 2.00 Dreamers of Dreams: chamber music by Egar (Incl Piano Cuints in A minor, 1919, and Woodwind Cuinter, Shed No 5), Delius

Cuintet, Shed No 5), Delius (including Sonata No 3 - Menuhin and Fendy), and Holet (incl Wind Cuintet in A flat major).†
4.00 Kodely: BBC SO and Chorus in the Ode: The music Makers; Summer Evening; Varietions on Hungarian Folk Song.†
5.00 Jazz Record Requests presented by Peter Clayton.†
5.45 Critics Forum: with Gabert Adalr, Peter Porter, Hilary Spurling and (in the chair) Anthony Thwalte. Incl comment on the Beryl Baintridge BBC 2 series English Journey.

Journey. Reutike: Brisin Runnett plays the Sonata for organ on the 94th Psalm.† 7.05 Duke Bluebeard's Castle;

Bartok's one-set opera. Sung in Hungarian. With Fischer-Diesker and Julia Barady. And Bavarian State Orch. 8.10 Lost in a Library: Bill Bufford in

Lost na Library: Suit Euroro in conversation with the Argentine writer Jorge Luis Borges. Stan Tracey's 40th Anniversary Concert: The Queen Elizabeth Hall concert, given last year. Part one. Evidence (for Quartet); A Rose Without a Totent (Scriette Time System (for chart); Scriette. Rose Without a Thorn (for duo);
Time Spring (for octet). Soloists
inci Harry Beckett, Peta King, Art
Themen, Tony Coe and Don
Weiter and Malcolm Griffiths.†
9.15 The Fur Cost: Dians Bishop
reads her own story.
9.30 Stan tracey Concert: part two.
Now (piano solo); Gift and Muse
Rule (for saxtet); A M Mayhem,
Afro-Charila, Dream of Many
Colours atc.†

Colours etc.†
10.45 Lassus: works performed by the Martindala Sidwell Choir.†
11.15 News. Until 11.18.
VHF only: Open University. From 6.55 am to 7.55, and from 11.20 per 12.120.

can to 12.00. Radio 2 4.00 am John Evington. † 6.00 Shelia Tracy find, 7.50 Racing Bulletin. 8.05 David Jacobs. † 10.00 Sounds of the 60s twith Keith Fordyos. 11.00 Album Time with Peter Clayton, Incl. 11.02 Sports Desk. 1.00 The News Huddlines. 1.20

Aintree Sport on 2. Rugby: County championship final between Gloucestershire and Somerset) and 5.00 Gloucestershire and Somerset) and 5.00 Sports Report. 8.00 Folk on 2 with Jim Lloyd. 7.00 Beat the Record. 7.30 Saturday Gala Night. A Robert Mandell Family Concert recorded at the Town Hall, Birmingham. 19.30 Big Band Special. 110.02 Sports Desk. 10.05 Saturday Rendezvous. 111.00 Ken Bruce. 11.00 am Peter Dickson on Nightride. 13.09-4.00 Wally Whyton with Country Concert. 1 Radio 1

6.00 am Mark Page. 8.00 Tony
Blackburn's Saturday Show. 16.00 Dave
Lee Travis. 1.00 Hitsville USA - PS. The
Story of Motown.† 2.00 Paul
Gambaccini. † 4.00 Saturday Live with
Richard Sidmer and Andy BattenFoster. † 5.20 Sight and Sound in
Concert featuring Bisnormange
(simultaneous broadcast with BBC2).
7.30 Janice Long. 10.00-12.00 Dice
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Review of the British Press. 8.15 The World
Today. 8.30 Financial News. 9.00 Look Ahead.
9.45 People and Potitics. 10.15 Grand Netional
Preview. 11.06 World News. 11.09 News About
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BBC1 WALES 1.00-1.25cm Farming in Wales. 2.10-2.55 Sports
Line-up (followed by news headlines). Includes Rugby Union: (Newport and Neath) and Boxhor; (WABA firsts). 10.55-11.0 Welsh Liberal Party Conference report. 11.20 Join BBC1 International Motor Racing highlights (25 mins Into-programme). 11.55 News of Wales. SCOTLAND 1.00-1.25cm Landward. 1.25-1.50 Taking Stock. 6.40-7.15 Songs of Praise from Stirling. 10.20-11.10 Mr Speaker. Sri 11.10-11.45 Voyager. Scotland's report on religion. 11.45 Scotlish news summary. NORTHERN IRELAND 11.55 Northern Ireland news.

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TYNE TEES As London except: starts 9.25 Morning Glory, 9.30 Link, 11.00 Lookaround, 11,05 Stan and Olfs, 11.30 Me and My Camera, 11.58 North East News, 1.00 Camera, 11-20 Very Eart Teaming Outlook, 2.00 Encounter, 2.30 The Big Metch, 3.15 Extra Time, 3.45 North East News, 3.47 The Caeen in Jordan, 11-30 The Irish R.M. 12.30 Stockton on Tees Vocal Union, 12.35 Closedown.

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TYNE TEES As London except:
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CHANNEL As London except: starts 9.25 Thunderbirds. 19.20-10.30 Puffin's Platijce, 5.05 Puffin's Platijce, 5.10-5.40 Praggie Rock. 11.00-11.55 Joe Cocker. 12.36 Weather, Closedown. ANGLIA As London except: 11.00 The Marques. 12.00 Recipe for Happiness. Closedown.

REGIONAL TELEVISION VARIATIONS HTV WEST As London except: Starts 9.25 cm Sesame Street. 10.25 Cartoon Time, 11.00 pm The Best of Saturday Night Live (Simon and Gerfunkel), 12.00 Newhart, 12.25

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5.35-6.30 Knight Rider. 11.00 Jezz: Alto Madness. 11.30 Cornedy Tonight: Furny Ladies. 12.00 Company, closedown. SCOTTISH As London except: starts 9.26 Certoon Time. 9.35 Happy Days. 10.00 The Flying Kiwl, 10.25-10.30 The Cantinglas Show. 11.00pm Late Call, 11.05 Aretha. Franklin, 12.05 Closedown,

a statement that it had found the pipe "unacceptable", but it North Sea is costing £500m a is known that the contract year, with three-quarters of the called for high technical stan-dards and a tight delivery Shell's managing direct

order, won last August. The works and an associated plate mill employ between 300 and 400 people. Although the cancellation must cause fears about its future, BSC, whose losses are running at £3m weekly, said yesterday that it is now working on another order.
Shell said it "regretted" switching the order from Briain to Sumitomo Metals, Nippon

Steel, Kawasaki Steel and Nippon Kokan - which already held 30 per cent of the contract.

Shell Oil yesterday cancelled that it could not handle the an £18m pipeline order with the whole contract. "We have been whole contract. "We have been British Steel Corporation and talking to BSC for some time to placed the work instead with a consortium of four Japanese companies.

Shell refused to elaborate on place orders in the UK. Our place orders in the UK. development programme in the

Shell's managing director for exploration and production, Mr The pipeline, to be laid this John Jennings, has repeatedly summer, will carry "sour" gas called for more British firms to containing corrosive sulphur take advantage of North Sea take advantage of North Sea compounds under extremely procurement, emphasizing that high pressures from the Fulmar up to £60 billion will be spent Field in the North Sea to St on development into the next Fergus, just north of Aberdeen. century.

RSC had reopened its Hartle- BSC was in the process of

pool pipemill, after a three-delivering the pipe, with a total month closure, to cope with the of about 40,000 tonnes ordered, when the contract was cancelled. It confined itself to a statement which said: "British Steel released the pipe according to release procedures in the specification defined by Shell." BSC is known to be seriously concerned about the loss, and i

is believed strongly and disputes any suggestion that it was going to be late or could not achieve the standards specified.
Although BSC came later into
the gas pipe business than the

Japanese, it has taken orders It is understood that part of this year worth £40m and has the order was originally placed already completed contracts for in Japan only because BSC felt Britoil and Total.

## Relief as Queen ends Jordan visit safely

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relations with Jordan against the threat to the future of Anglo-Israeli relations, and the possible cost in exposing British diplomats to a spate of new attacks from Arab extrem-

Hopes that thevisit ight ead to Britain quickly securing the £90m contract to provide antiaircrafth missiles to replace the 1,613 US Stinger weapons cancelled by President Reagan earlier thismonth were dashed yesterday by the King himself.

He disclosed that such a deal had not even been discussed during the political talks this week, which ran parallel with the visit and were conducted by

Mr Richard Luce, Minister of State at the Foreign Office.

Although Mr Shea emphasized that some of the Queen's most controversial remarks during the week, including her description of a map of expanding Jewish settlements in the occupied West Bank as "depressing", were simply factual, the whole tenor of the tour has closely associated Britain with Jordan's present stand in the Middle East.

Yesterday, a beaming King Husain was lavish in his thanks for the tour, the Queen's behaviour and its quences for Anglo-Jorda-





The Aintree scene: A priest studies form as three National runners set out for their final workouts (Photographs: Brian Harris)



John Francome (left) gets a helping hand from his valet, John Buckingham.

# Tradition is the form on Aintree's big day

take place at first light, on the racecourse, where contenders

are given their last workout. John Buckingham, a man rarely seen in the public eye, will look after 27 riders in the big race, preparing their sad-dles for carrying the correct weights and cleaning boots and breeches. Buckingham, a former jockey, rode the 1967 National winner, Foinavon,

who was a 100-1 chance. There is a tradition with the jockeys in the changing room", Buckingham says. "They have their own niche. Ben de Haan, for instance, will walk in today and find his clothes in the same place as they were when he won the National last year on Corbiere.

Despite the tension, an air of levity pervades the dressing

Today's final preparations room. "John Francome's sense for the Grand National runners of humour will help tone down tension this year", Buckingham says.

A 24-hour watch has been kept on the course for the last fortnight. The twelfth fence was vandalized the night before the 1982 National and a fortnight ago Becher's Brook was set alight, destroying a 10ft section.

The final touches to the fences are made, by Bob Emery, the fence builder.

The Chair fence, the biggest on the course, is five-foot high with a six-foot ditch in front. It is so named because a railed chair is situated on the corner, where the judge would sit in days gone by and give out the distances of the horses behind the winner.

### Aslef in move to spread strike

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widening of the stoppage could be far more serious than the closures announced by the National Cool Board

He said in Scunthorpe: "The future of British Steel and all its people who have worked so hard and with considerable sacrifice to pull the industry back from the brink of disaster are thus placed at new and deeper risk by the events of this past week and the future looks even more ominous."

Yesterday three Scottish coal merchants failed to win an order banning flying pickets and the coal board reported that letters from wives of moderate miners pressing for a national ballot on the pit toppage had been pouring at head-

At Hem Heath Collier. Stoke-on-Trent. four rebel miners ended a sit-in in protest at picketing tactics. Despite the dispute, 38 out

176 pits were working normail according to the coal board. Mr Arthur Scargill, presiden. of the striking National Union of Mineworkers, told a rally last night that dwindling coal stocks pose a "quite frightening" future.

Commenting at the end c the coal board's fiscal year and on Mr Ian MacGregor's first si months as chairman, he said th plan to close 20 pits and lose : least 20,000 miners' jobs in the next year had cost the coar industry and the nation betwee £500m and £600m.

Total production losses it: the 21-week national overtime. ban and the past fortnight strake exceeded 12 million

Mr Scargill said: "The coa board has directly provoked industrial action which has brought over 80 per cent of the collieries in Britain to standstill and is dramat affecting the movement supply of coal."

 Bilston Glen. Scotl largest and most productive was last night within hours closure and irretrievable (Ronald Faux writes).

The Union's removal safety cover to protect jobs stop closures looked as 11 would result in losing 1.900 and closing down a profile Race preview, page 30 1 mine with an assured future.

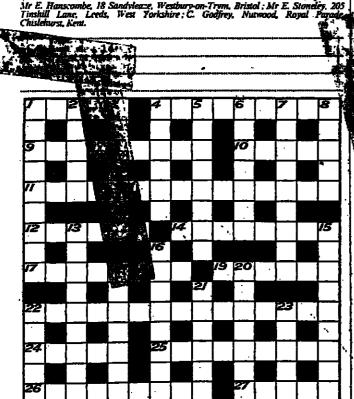
### THE TIMES INFORMATION SERVICE





The Times Crossword Puzzle No 16,393

The winners of last Saturday's competition are:



ACROSS

- 1 United reported to be brilliant
- 4 Clemenceau's girl has dark spots
- 9 Having no match for the type with six points (9). 19 Reflection of the spirit of the
- tribunal (5). 11 Help a Gryphon lose the river
- race? Perhaps this would take a brainwave (15).
- 12 Alumnus gets prolix, though not
- a square (6). 14 Doing good cut short to make a
- living (8). 17 Use key to unlock secret passage
- 19 One runs the film back for the
- sake of peace (6). 22 Kind of flannels for a stone-
- waller? (6-9). 24 Sound recovery from a lesion

- (5). 25 Mediar cooked and used in ideal
- 27 Half the code is cracked (5).

.! prize of The Tunes Atlas of the World (comprehensive edition) will be given for the lirst three correct solutions opened next Thursday. Entries should be addressed to: The Times, Saturday Crossword Competition, 12 Coley Street, London WC99 9YT. The winners and solution will be published next Saturday.

Mr E. Hanscombe, 18 Sandyleaze, Westbury-on-Trem, Bristol; Mr E. Stoneley, 205 Tinshill Lanc, Leeds, West Yorkshire; C. Godfrey, Nutwood, Royal Payade Chisleharst, Kent.

Aì Bis opher Joseph File 1732: Edward of Rubaiyat Bredfield, Su

- 1 The only one of its kind uttered by a coiner (5-4).

  2 For a pick-me-up, go that's not finished (5). 3 There is no expression for

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- departed god (4,3).

  4 Epaminondas, for example, under the interdict (6).

  5 Direk was one, Juris another (8).
  - Promotion for linesman who loses his touch (7). 7 l or Turpin can make forcible entry (9). Mother turned sweet when
  - Mandy changed places at the Lecherous, perhaps, like Chris 13
  - (9). See about unknown person summoned to court in agitation 16 Short Dickens work containing example of envy (8).

    18 Bill may be stack with his name
  - on the back door (7). 20 Recovered centre arms with suede arrangement (7). 21 High value, roughly speaking, he
- country (9).

  26 Club, originally giorified palace

  22 "Have this dancel" said the

  we hear (9).

  27 Half the code is cracked (5) 23 Aside by a character (5).

Today's events Music

Concert by Northern Sinfonia Vestmorland Hall, Kendal, 7.30. Concert by Sheffield Schools Brass Band, The Moor, Sheffield, 12. Concert by Sheffield Oratorio, Sheffield Cathedral, 7.30. Seement Catheoral, 7-30.
Concert by Musica Antiqua of
London, Poole Centre, Castle
Manor, Upper School, Haverhill,

Concert by Bath Choir, Bath Abbey, Berlioz Grande Ivesse des Morts, Blackburn Music Society, Salford Choral Society and Northern Symphon y Orchestra, King Georg-

s Hall, Blackburn, 7.30. General Gala Weekend and mother's Day Steaming, Didcet railway, 11 to 3 today and tomorrow.

Observer Wind Challenge race

oards of all types and riders of all ses, Mersea Island, near Colchest-Mail Ideal Home Exhibition. Court, 10am to 8pm (ends

exhibitions cle Eric and the Green Cow-thre, drawing and paintings by Akins and Gareth Davis, Arts Workshop, Mon to Sun 10.30 nd (1845-1907); list, Herbert Art im, Jordon Well, Sat 10 to 5.30,

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musician, Empoli, I
Ferenc Molnar, playrig
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Mothering Sunday, 1
Mid-Lent Sunday,
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Termed Mothering termed Mothering St which also has been Refreshment Sunday. Sunday and Frument hanks to American in now Mothers' Day, commemorates the brea crowd's fast by the mil loaves and fishes. It may its theme is derived Paul's statement, "Jerus which is the mother (Galatians iv, 26). Or its 1 lie in the ancient cult of Mother and spring fertil the seventeenth and centuries the day was a

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servant girls to return ho mothers bearing gifts

#### Gardens open

COMORROW TOMORROW
Dorset: Frankham Farm, Ryme
Intrinseca, S of Yeovil, off YeovilDorchester road, & acre. shrubs,
trees. spring bulbs: 2 to 6. Borset:
Highbury. Woodside Road, West
Moors, 8m N of Bournemouth, off
B3072
Bournemouth-Verwood road; ½ acre, many rare and unusual

plants, spring bulbs, herbs, silver and variegated plants, at accelent, every Sunday and bank holiday until September 2: 2 to 6. Gloucestershire: Rycland House, Taynton. 8m W of Gloucester, between Huntley (A40) and Newent (B4215) on B4216; large garden, spring bulbs, wild daffodils, many Bellingham. The Grand National.

spring bulbs, wild danodus, many rare and unusual plants; P. 2 to 6. Cwynedd: Foxbrush, Aber Pwil, Port Dinorwic, 3m SW of Bangor, off Bangor-Caernarvon road; 1½ acres, large variety of plants, semi-tropical conservatory; 2 to 6. Hereford and Worcester: Haffield, Ledburg, 5 mins, from M50 on Ledbury, 5 mins from M50 on A417; trees, shrubs, daffodils; P; 2 to 6. Oxfordshire: Quarry Bank House, nr Tackley, 2m E of Woodstock, 4% acres, many spring flowers, 2 to 6. Somerset: Clapton Court, 3m S of Crewkerne on B3165; 10 acres; rare

and unusual trees and shrubs; woodland garden, spring bulbs; P; all year daily except Saturdays; weekdays 10 to 5; Sundays 2 to 5; Saturday April 21 and all Saturdays in May 10 to 5. THURSDAYS IN APRIL SURREY: Lye End Link, St Johns, 3m W of Woking; rock garden, variegated plants, perennials, alpine e; nursery near by P=plants for sale

#### In the garden

Plants are growing now as the soil warms up, and in the greenhouse or indoors they are growing fairly fast. Feed all pot plants now with a soluble fertilizer and repeat the dose every 10 to 14 days. Many plants seem to prefer a weekly feed at half

sector to preser a weekly reed at nair the recommended strength.

Dust on the leaves of indoor foliage plants can be very harmful or even lethal. Wash the leaves once or twice a month, and if you can spare the time apply a "leaf shine" from an aerosol can.

In the high street there are now plentiful supplies of the Japanese Kurume azaleas at very reasonable

prices. These are hardy varieties, and when they have finished flowering indoors they may be planted in the garden. The azaleas we buy around Christmas are not hardy; they may be stood outside for the summer but must be brough

#### National Days

Malta today commemorates its National Day to mark the final withdrawal of British forces from their military bases in 1979. Before the expiry of the Anglo-Maltese Military Facilities Agreement, Mal-ta's National Day fell on December 13 to mark its establishment as a

the fourth anniversary of the declaration of the country's status as an Islamic Republic by Ayatoliah Khomeini. The declaration which Khomeini. The declaration, which followed the return of the Ayatoliah from exile in France in 1979 soon after the fall of the Shah, was translated within a few months into a new Constitution which stated that the spirituality and ethics of Islam were the basis of the political, social and economic fabric of the

### Roads

Midlands: A34: Guild Street

Alnwick, Northumberland: tempor-ary lights. M6: Thelwall Viaduct, Cheshire: lanes closed both ways between junctions 20 and 21. M63: closed both ways. M62: Lanes closed between junctions 12 (Eccles)

The Grand National, Aintree Raccourse, Merseyside: MS7, A59, A506 congested.
Wales and West: A40: Abergavenny to Llandovery at Crickhowell: temporary lights. A438: Tewkesbury, from Elbury County secondary school to Oldfield: temporary lights. A55: Chester to Colwyn Bay at Holywell bypass: 24hr temporary signals.

Colwyn Bay at Hotwell bypass: 24hr temporary signals.
Scotland: A92: Glenrothes: contraflow between A911 and B921.
A7: South of Selkirk: road reconstruction. Single lane, temporary light. A75: Buccleuch Street bridge. Dumfries: one lane each wave turning certificities: one lane.

Information supplied by the AA.

#### The papers

ceiend its honour but also never cringing from actions that tainted it.

"He sought genuine independence and spurned French President Charles De Gaulle's offer to be part of the French community, Infuriated, the French took everything of their own, including the ink with which he was to sign the accord to accede to the new neo-colonial status.

the wounds from his reign are to beat."

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Stratford: delay possible. A6: Matlock Bath; temporary signals. A12: Bentley, Ipswich to Colchester Road: contraflow.
North: A1: Brownyside, north of

croses between junctions 12 (Edees) and 14 (Worsley); junctions 21 to 22 (Rakewood Viaduct); and at irwell Valley, A68; Elishaw, Northumber-land; Roadworks 8 miles NE of

way; turning restrictions to/from Whitesands.

Commenting on the death of President Ahmed Sckou Toure of Guinea, the Daily Nation of Kenya, says: "He typified the best and the worst in African leadership, quick to defend its honour but also never cripsing from actions that sented it.

divided nation and a pending coup plot trial. But there is no doubting that the transition of power will be smooth, with Prime Minister Louis Lansana Beavogui expected to succeed him. But Mr Sekou Toure's successors must open the system if

The pound

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## Weather forecast

Pressure will be low to SW and

high to N of Britain. 6am to midnight

London, SE, Central S England, S Waters

District, late of Man: Isolated showers, whithy on hills, surrey periods; wind E, moderate; max temp 5 to 96 (41 to 45°F. England: Cloudy, rain; who E, reich to strong, locally gate; max temp 7 to 80 (45 to 46°F).

SW, NW Scotland, Cantral Highlands, Argrie, N Irvierad: Isolated showers, whithy on hills, surrey periods; wind E, moderate; max temp 6 to 70 (43 to 45°F).

Orkeey, Shattland: Isolated whithy showers, surrey intervals; wind N, moderate; max temp 30 (37°F).

Outlook for isonanow and Monday: Dry, surrey intervals in W; cloudy, wintry showers in E; some rain at first in S. Patther cold or old, overnight trost.

Overlaght troot.

S North Sea: Wind N light increasing fresh or strong, sea smooth. Straits of Dover, English Channel (E): Wind SE, light backing E strong to gale, sea smooth becoming rough. St George's Channels Wind E strong to gale, sea very rough. Irish Sea: Wind E moderate fresh or strong; see slight becom

TODAY

New Moon tomorrow. Sun sette 7.34 pm

New Moon 1.10pm. Lighting-up time

Londor 8.03 pm to 6.06 am Bristol 8.12 pm to 6.16 sm Edioburgh 8.19 pm to 6.13 am Manchester 8.13 pm to 6.12 am Panzance 8.23 pm to 6.29 km TOMOFIPOW Lendon 8.04 pm to 6.04 am Bristol 8.14 pm to 6.13 am Ediabatyla 8.21 pm to 6.11 am Muschaster 8.15 pm to 8.10 am Parganice 6.24 pm to 6.25 am

**Around Britain** 



Yesterday

London

Vestarday: Temp: max 8 am to 6 pm, 1; (S6F); mm 6 pm to 6 am, 5C (41F). Humddry pm, 79 per cent. Raur. 24th to 6 pm, 0 6. Sur. 24th to 6 pm, 6.4. Bar, mean sea level pm, 1014.0 millbers falling 1,000 millbers-28.5m. Highest and lowest

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